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When Ragna's father suddenly kicked her out to go on a business journey and her mother passed away, everything fell in line. Ragna, who didn't have any other family, was left alone. She thought that Ragna's mother died on her way home, but it was a lie. She was a liar, and she was a liar. Ragna thought that Ragna's mother died on her way home, but it was a lie. She was a liar, and she was a liar. Ragna thought that Ragna's mother died on her way home, but it was a lie. She was a liar, and she was a liar.

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My So For...



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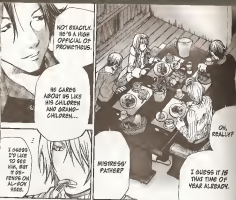
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My Home, My Family



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NOT EXACTLY.
HE'S A HIGH
OFFICIAL OF
PROMETHIUS.

HE CARES
ABOUT US LIKE
HIS CHILDREN
AND GRAND-
CHILDREN...

I WOULD
LIKE TO SEE
HIM, BUT
IT'S
FENDING ON
AL-ROV
HIS.

MISTRESS
FATHER?

OH,
REALLY?

I GUESS IT IS
THAT TIME OF
YEAR ALREADY.



WELL, I
GUESS I
WOULDN'T BE
SEEING HIM
THIS TIME.

PLEASE
SAY HELLO
FOR US,
THOUGH.

HOW
ABOUT
IT?

HE'D KNOW
MORE ABOUT
YOUR FATHER
THAN ANYBODY
ELSE...



YOU'RE
TRULY
IMPOLITE
FROM THE
BOTTOM
OF YOUR
HEARTS.

THOUGH AT
LEAST YOU
SEEM TO
BE LISTENING
ALONG WELL
ENOUGH.

YOU'RE
SUPPOSED TO
COMPLIMENT
IT, NO MATTER
WHAT, EVEN IF
IT IS RATHER
DIFFICULT...

YES, IT'S
DIFFICULT.

NOT BAD
ENOUGH TO
SMASH
THE DISHES
AND SHOUT
AT YOU...

...BUT
NOT GOOD
ENOUGH TO
CALL BRU-
CIOS EITHER--
A FINE BALANCE
BETWEEN
THE TWO.



I'VE
ARRANGED FOR
A CARriage TO
TAKE YOU TO
THE WILLAGE OF
YELLKENS
AS YOU AGREE,
BUT...

BY THE
WAY, ARE
YOU TWO
LEAVING
TODAY?

THIS IS
WHAT I
GET EVERY
DAY.

I GOT A
NOTICE
FROM THE
COUNCIL
JUST
NOW...

WE WERE
PLANNING
TO. IS THERE
A PROBLEM,
BRANOWEN?

THE OLD
MAN IS
VISITING
US TODAY.

MISTRESS,
THAT'S
JUST AS
MEAN...

I SEE.
THEN
I'LL...

A
PERFECT...

BUT DON'T
YOU THINK
THAT'S SAID?
WE'RE
SUPPOSED
TO BE A
FAMILY.

SHS, LITTLE
BOY AL
AND I--WE
ALL HAVE
SOMETHING
WE FEEL
GUILTY
ABOUT.

WE ALL
ACCEPT
THAT HE'S
SUCH A KING
SOMETHING
FROM THE
OTHERS.

...HAPPY
HOME?

IS THAT
WHY YOU'RE
SHOWING HIM
ALL YOUR
CARDS...

YOU'VE
GOT A
REAL
FAMILY
MEMBER.
RIGHT?
HERE, YOU
KNOW.

...AND
RISKING
LOSING
EVERYTHING?

BUT DON'T
YOU WANT
IT TOOP

I DON'T HAVE
THE GUNS
TO TELL HIM
EVERYTHING.

WHAT'S
YOUR
AIM?

DON'T
EXPECT
ME TO BE
GRATEFUL!

I NEVER
ASKED
YOU TO DO
ANYTHING
WITH ME.

WHATEVER
YOU
SAYING
ABOUT?

DON'T
ACT ALL
INNOCENT.

YOU KNOW
THIS WOULD
HAPPEN. WHY
DID YOU BRING
HIM HERE?

BUT EVEN
THOUGH SHE
SAYS IT,
RAHTEL'S
ALWAYS A
LITTLE NERVOUS
ABOUT IT...

THAT'S WHAT
MEANS
ACCORDING
TO RAHTEL
ANYWAY.

...LIKE SHE'S
ALWAYS
WONDERING
WHEN WE'LL
PART.

BECAUSE
WE'RE
FAMILY?

?



THE TOWN OF PEACH-TOWN!

I'VE ARRIVED!



PEACH-TOWN...



How did I do that?

That part...

...BUT BECAUSE OF THAT AREA...

HOPING TO SEE THEM MADE ME REALLY MISS THEM.

...I'M FEELING PRETTY BLUE.

I GAVE UP THE THOUGHT I'D GET LUCKY AND MEET UP WITH THE GUYS...

DID I...

...MAKE A MIS-TAKE?



THINGS, MYSTER?

OH, SHE'S HAS A NICE TUP, YOUNG LADY!



...BUT I WONDER IF THEY'RE STILL EVEN HERE.

SO I GAVE UP ALL THIS WAY...



POWER! MY FURNACE LET THIS GO, ARE YOU?

OH, BEING HERE, I HAVE A FEELING OF HOW THE FURNACE OVERLOOKS OF THE TOWN...



WHO ARE YOU, MY MOTHER?

HAVE YOU COME TO THE BANQUET?

DO YOU HAVE ONE Y-THING?

HURRY! TIGER!



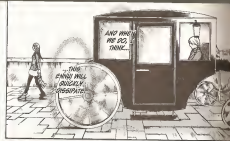
SO WILL YOU PLEASE MAKE UP WITH BACCHUSMENT GEEKY?

...BUT IT MAKES ME KIND OF SAD TO SEE YOU SAY LIKE THIS.

IT'S PROBABLY NOT MY PLACE TO SAY ANYTHING, SINCE I DON'T KNOW ALL THE DETAILS...



I'M MISSING YOU.

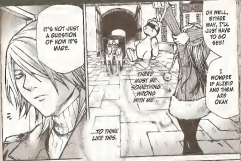


AND WHEN
HE'S GO,
THINK.

...TWO
CANDY WILL
QUICKLY
DISAPPEAR.

SOON,
VERY
SOON.

RIGHT
NOW.



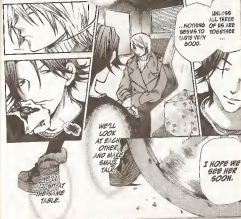
IT'S NOT JUST
A QUESTION
OF HOW IT'S
MADE.

THERE
MUST BE
SOMETHING
WRONG
WITH ME...

...TO THINK
LIKE THIS.

OH WELL,
STILL
MAY, I'LL
JUST HAVE
TO GO
SEE!

I
WONDER
IF ALRED
AND THEM
ARE
GAY.



...NOTHING
SEEMS TO
TASTE VERY
GOOD.

UNLESS
ALL THREE
OF US ARE
TOGETHER
...

WE'LL
LOOK
AT EACH
OTHER,
AND MAKE
SMALL
TALK.

WE'LL
STAY AT
THIS SAME
TABLE.

I HOPE WE
SEE HER
SOON.

Chapter 50:

The Name of a Sixth Girl-

Part of People We Meet in a Mysterious Town



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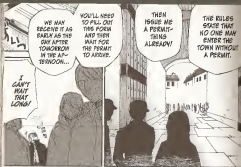
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Because it's
summer(?)

I've started
cat ears.





WE MAY RECEIVE IT AS EARLY AS THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW IN THE AFTERNOON...

YOU'LL NEED TO FILL OUT THIS FORM AND THEN WAIT FOR THE PERMIT TO ARRIVE.

THEN I'll ISSUE ME A PERMIT-THING ALREADY!

THE RULES STATE THAT NO ONE MAY ENTER THE TOWN WITHOUT A PERMIT.

I CAN'T WAIT THAT LONG!



HE'S SUPPOSED TO BE VISITING A GIRL NAMED BRANWEN.

COULD YOU AT LEAST CHECK YOUR ENTRY RECORDS AND TELL ME IF BARGUSHEAT IS STILL HERE?



BARGUSHEAT AND BRANWEN, I MEAN.

HUH?

YOU HAVEN'T GOT A SPECK OF KNOWLEDGE, HAVE YOU?

ARE THEY FRIENDS OF YOURS, YOUNG LADY?

THAT'S TOO MUCH TROUBLE FOR US.

WELL, YES. DO YOU KNOW THEM?



AR.GH...



...BUT I WANT SOME EXCITEMENT.

WHAT SHALL I DO WITH MY HARD-WON FREEDOM?

I COULD GO SEE THEM RIGHT AWAY...

SIGNOR CARRO-VERDRI!

UNRRGH!



...CAN'T I ENTER THIS TOWN?

HECK...

THE...

WHY...

THAT'S
A LONG
NAME.

WHAT
SHALL
I CALL
YOU?

SIGNORE
ENERO
PER JEL
CARBOVERDY.

NOW
ABOUT
MR.
ENERO?

MM...

WHATEVER
YOU WISH.

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN,
YOU'RE
THEIR
PADRINO?

OUR...

...*PROM-
THEES.*

HEY, YOU
CAN'T
JUST...

SHUT
UP, YOU
IDiot!

COME.
I SHALL
SHOW
YOU THE
TOWN.

ANY
FRIEND
OF
THEIRS IS
A FRIEND
OF MINE.

OF COURSE I
DO. I'M THEIR
PADRINO!

WELL, YES.
I GUESS I'M
THE MOST
IMPORTANT
V.I.P. IN
THIS TOWN.

ARE YOU A
V.I.P. OR
SOME-
THING?

UH...
UMM...

LET'S GO,
THEN. I WAS
ABOUT TO
VISIT BEAN
AS WELL.

BE'S...

JUST
SHUT UP
AND KEEP
TOWING.

BEHIND
ME FOR
ALL OF
THIS!

IN MY
NATIVE
TONGUE,
IT MEANS
GOD-
FATHER.

I TOOK
CARE OF
THE WHOLE
LOT OF
THEM.

NOW,
WELL,
I ASK
YOUR
NAME,
YOUR
LADY?

UH-
HUN.



HE'S VERY
CLEVER
WITH HIS
HANDS.

WELL, SURE, HE'S
SMART
WITH HIS
HANDS...
BUT I'VE
HEARD ABOUT
HIS
PRED-
ICTING
ALIVE.

LIKE
CROOKING
TO DO
THINGS
OTHER
PEOPLE
WOULD, AND
ACTING
LIKE HE'S
A BAD
GUY?

BY THE WAY,
MR. SPENCER!
WOULD YOU
TELL ME ABOUT
BAROQUEHEAT'S
BROTHERS?

HE WON'T
TELL ME
ANYTHING.

ARE THEY
MUCH LIKE
BAROQUE-
HEAT?



ESPE-
CIIALLY IN
THE AREA
WHERE
THEY'RE
NOT SO
SMART.

...BUT YOU
COULD SAY
THAT ON
THE INSIDE,
THEY'RE VERY
MUCH ALIVE.

WELL...
THEY MAY
NOT LOOK
ALIVE ON THE
OUTSIDE...



KIND...

...AND
STRONG.

HE'S
VERY
KIND.



QUITE.

THEY ARE
MY PRIDE
AND JOY!



WHAT'S
YOUR LAST
NAME?

BARCEL.
I SEE.

BUT
YOU CAN
CALL ME
WHATEVER
YOU LIKE
TOO.

IT'S
BARCEL.

OH?

MY FATHER
TOLD ME
NOT TO TELL
ANYONE
UNLESS I
ABSOLUTELY
HAVE TO.

YOU MAY
HAVE AN
INTERESTING
FATHER.

THAT'S A
SECRET.



ALZED...?

AND THEN, IN
SOME PLACES,
THEY HAVE NO
CONCEPT OF
LAST NAMES
AT ALL, SO I
HAVEN'T BEEN
ASKED MUCH...

YES, BUT
IT HAIN'T
BEEN A REAL
PROBLEM
YET, SO
I GUESS
IT'S FINE.

BAROQUEHEAT
AND ALZED
HAVEN'T TOLD
ME THEIR
OTHER, SO...



ARE YOU
GETTING
ALONG?

YES, OF
COURSE.

OH, I'M
SORRY.
HE'S
ANOTHER
FRIEND
OF MINE.

I'M
TRAVELING
WITH HIM AND
BAROQUE-
HEAT. A
THREESOME.

LIKE A
FAMILY!

WHAT A SURPRISE!
ARE YOU A
MAGIC USER,
YOUNG LADY?

IS SOME-
THING THE
MATTER?



NOW
CONNE-
NENT.

ISN'T IT,
THOUGH?
I CAN DO
ALMOST
ANYTHING.

NO
PROBLEM.
HERE...



WELL, IT
SEEMS I'VE
FORGOTTEN
TO BRING
MATCHES.

THAT'S
QUITE
AMAZING.

OF
COURSE,
THERE ARE
THINGS
I CAN'T
DO WITH
MAGIC.



FOR
EXAMPLE...

...BRINGING
SOMEONE
BACK TO
LIFE.



I ONCE HAD AN
ANGEL INJURED
WHO COULD
DO THAT.



I SPEND
MOST OF
THE YEAR
ASLEEP!

WHEN YOU
WAKE UP
EVERY
YEAR?



ARE YOU
ILL OR
SOME-
THING?

HE
ADJUSTS THE
CONDITIONS
EVERY YEAR
TO TIME THE
BLOOM TO
EXACTLY WHEN
I'LL WAKE UP.

SUCH A
KIND CHILD,
DON'T YOU
THINK?



HEARNS
NOT!

I'M AS FIT
AS CAN BE.



WELL,
WE'LL
SEE...

THAT
IS THAT
SETTLED TO
BE SOME
KIND OF
MISUNDER-
STANDING
OR SOMETHING?



THEY'RE
IN FULL
BLOOM.

I THOUGHT
IT WAS STILL
A LITTLE
TOO EARLY
FOR THEM.



I DECIDED
TO BRING
SOME OF
THEM TO
BRUK.

THESE GARDEN
BLOOMERS
WERE A
PRESENT
FROM HIS
SISTER, FOR
INSURANCE.



WHAT
KIND OF
LOGIC
SAYS
THAT?
OW?

...AND
LOGICALLY,
TIME TRAVEL
SHOULD BE
POSSIBLE!

I ALREADY
KNOW SOMEONE
WHO CAN JUMP
THROUGH SPACE...

TH-
THAT'S
TRUE!

YOU CAN
DO IT,
CAN'T YOU?



YOU
DON'T
REALLY
KNOW?

LIKE...

SUPER-
NATURAL PHE-
NOMENON...



MAYBE IT'S
NOT A VERY
FAMOUS
THEORY, SINCE
NO ONE I
KNOW SEEMS
TO HAVE
HEARD OF IT.

SUPPOSEDLY,
THERE'S A
THEORY BY
KIP THORNE,
BUT IT'S TOO
COMPLICATED
FOR ME...



BUT HE WASN'T
ABLE TO BRING
BACK THE MOST
IMPORTANT
PERSON AT
THE MOST
IMPORTANT
TIME...

...SO IN THE
END, HIS
ABILITY WAS
MEANINGLESS.

I'VE WATCHED
HIM BRING
DEAD BIRDS
AND CATS
BACK TO
LIFE WITH MY
OWN EYES.

IT'S
TRUE.

NO
WAY!

INCRED-
IBLE!



YES, THE
STORY
ENDS ON
A SAD
NOTE.



JUST
BECAUSE
YOU CAN'T
DO THOSE
THINGS
TODAY...

BUT STILL,
TO BRING
BACK A
LOST
LIFE...

...TO
CONTROL
OTHER
BIRDS...

...TO
JUMP
THROUGH
TIME AND
SPACE...

...DOESN'T
MEAN THAT YOU
SHOULD GIVE UP
ON TOMORROW
WHEN IT MIGHT
BE POSSIBLE.





DON'T GO BEFORE I GET BACK, MR. ENERO.

SEE YOU, THEN.

WELL, I AGREE!

OH, YES. HAVE A NICE DTING.



YOU OUGHT TO STAY THE NIGHT HERE.

YOU COULDN'T REACH YELL- NINE BEFORE TOMORROW EVEN IF HE HAD A CARRIAGE READY RIGHT ANNK.

OH, DEAR



YES, MAMA.

...WILL YOU SHOW HER AROUND TOWN AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR A CARRIAGE?

WELL... OKAY. I AGREE! YOUR KNU OFFER.



REALLY? I THINK IT BECOMES HIM WELL.

IT'S HARD TO IMAGINE HIM GETTING HIS HANDS DIRTY TAKING CARE OF FLOWERS.

OH, YES.



SIE...THE CHEERY BLOSSOMS...

ARE THEY FROM KLARA AGAIN THIS YEAR?



WHAT ISN...?



IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I LAST HAD A CONVERSATION WITH A YOUNG LADY. It makes me feel young again.

BUT ANY- WAY, HERE ARE SOME FLOWERS AND SOME CANDY...

...BOTH COURTESY OF MR. ENERO. ♥



THEY JUST LEFT.

WELL, YOU'RE OUT OF LUCK.



WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE, RANZEL?

UHM... I DON'T REALLY KNOW.

I DON'T NEED A MESSY LADY LIKE THAT.

I MEAN-- HOW DARE YOU??

KAM. I FEEL BAD FOR YOU.

COME TO THINK OF IT, YOU LOOK LIKE SOMEONE WHO'S ONCE ON LUCK.

IT MUST BE AGE. STOP FIGHTING IT.

I'M THE ONE IMPROVING ON YOUR HOSTILITY.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

SORRY TO MAKE YOU COME ALONG ON MY ERRANDS.

IT'S LIKE BEING IN THE MIDDLE WHEN A HUSBAND WAS JUST CAUGHT CHEATING ON HIS WIFE.

I DON'T KNOW, BUT IT WAS HARD TO WATCH.

...YOU END UP SLEEPING IN THE ROOM IN GIRLS, DURING THE RAIN WHEN IT'S RAINING, AND DROPPING THE CLOSET ON THE FLOOR, DON'T YOU?

BUT SINCE YOU, BANAH, BELONGS TO THE ELITE CLUB...

YOU TALK LIKE YOU'D BE BURN IT ALL, BUT SO WHAT IF YOU'RE RIGHT?

BEHOLD, I LIKE ROSEWORK FOR THE REASON THAT.

I SEE.

I COULDN'T LET A GUEST DO THAT.

WERE YOU PLANNING ON MAKING LUNCH, BANAH?

WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO DO IT?

WHAT??

THEY'RE FIGHTING?

WHY?

SUCH A NICE YOUNG LADY.

THAT GIRL... RANZEL...

IT SEEMS THAT RANZEL HAS RECEIVED AN INTERESTING EDUCATION.

A YOUNG GIRL'S HISTORY LESSONS SHOULDN'T INCLUDE SUCH A PERSON.

HOW DOES SHE KNOW ABOUT SOMEONE LIKE KIP THORN FROM THE 20TH CENTURY?

BUT IT'S STRANGE...

WHICH MEANS I TOO AM SOMETHING SIMILAR.

SHE REFERRED TO BAROQUEMENT AS HER FAMILY.

SUCH A NICE GIRL.

I JUST HOPE I DON'T HAVE TO GET RID OF HER.



I'M JUST PASSING THROUGH ON THE WAY TO SOMEWHERE ELSE.

A LITTLE VILLAGE CALLED VILLHENE.

WHAT BROUGHT YOU TO OUR LITTLE TOWN?

OUT HERE IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE.

It's about that time.

And maybe something else.

I'M RANZEL. NICE TO MEET YOU.

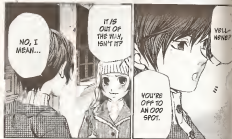


MAH! HE'S REALLY GOOD! SUPER! BUT THOUGH HE FORGOT HIMSELF OFF AS A KID.

IF EVERYTHING WENT WELL IN LIFE, JUST BECAUSE YOU LIKED SOMETHING, THEN EVERYBODY WOULD BE A WINNER.

YOU WOULDN'T NEED FOREWITNESS OR FENDS GRILL OR LOVE POTIONS OR ANYTHING.

OH, HELLO, SAIVAH.



NO, I MEAN...

IT IS OUT OF THE WAY, ISN'T IT?

YELL-HEN?

YOU'RE OFF TO AN ODD SPOT.



YOU'RE WITH SOMEONE I'VE NEVER MET.

WHERE DID YOU FIND HER?



...DIDN'T THAT VILLAGE DISAPPEAR ABOUT SIX YEARS AGO?



OH, REALLY?

HELLO, I'M SHOGETSU.

COME ON, IT'S NOT LIKE SHE'S A STEAL CAT OR DOG.

SHE'S MISTERSS BRAN'S GUEST.

IT'S NOT
A QUARY,
IT'S A
RECORD.

DON'T
OPEN THE
WHOLE
THING
HERE.
TAKE IT
HOME
TO LOOK
AT IT.

NOW I CAN
FIND OUT
ABOUT THE
KID WHO'S
TRAVELING
WITH ALZBIO.

I CAN'T
WAIT TO
READ THIS
QUARY.

THANK
YOU, MR.
KYLESON.

NO,
NOTHING.

I HAVEN'T
SEEN A
SINGLE
GOBL, LET
ALONE
RAIZEL!

WHAT ABOUT
OVER THERE,
BARROWE-
HEAT?

BLUE
EYES AND
BLACK
HAIR...
HEIGHT
152 CM...

LET'S
SEE...
RAIZEL
KNOWS...

RAIZEL?

HMM...
OH
WELL.

NOT
"OH
WELL!"

Snap

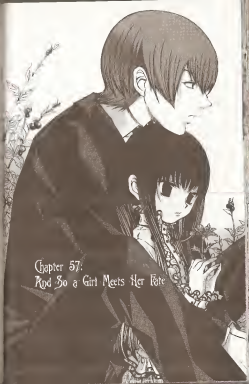
SHOOT...

WHOA!!!

SHUT UP!
GO HOME
ALREADY!

OH I
FOUND A
PICTURE!

IS THIS
REALLY
YELLNENE?





.....



IT WOULD BE BETTER THAN SLEEPING ON THE GROUND.

WE SHOULD FIND A PLACE THAT'S IN RELATIVELY GOOD SHAPE AND STAY THE NIGHT THERE.

UN-
HUN.



SHALL I START A FIRE IN THE FIREPLACE?



OH, WHAT DID YOU SAY?

UN...

ARE YOU IGNORING ME, AL-BON?

RY...

.....



AT THIS RATE, WE'LL GET ZERO INFORMATION ABOUT SECOND'S BREAK.

.....



THAT'S WHAT THE MAP SAYS.

IS THIS REALLY YELL-NENE?



??



SO, YOU
TWO ARE
TRAVELING?

PLEASE
DON'T
KILL
ME!

FOR AN
ABANDONED
HOUSE,
THERE'S
ESPECIALLY
LITTLE DUST...

WHAT'S
THE
MATTER?

NO...
NO...

OH,
THAT'S
BECAUSE...

OH,
THAT...

AND...
FARIN,
RIGHT?

DID THE
OTHER
VILLAGERS
MOVE
AWAY?

OR--

I GUESS WITH THE
VILLAGE IN THIS
CONDITION, IT'S
UNDERSTANDABLE
THAT YOU THOUGHT
MY HOUSE WAS
ABANDONED.

I'M
SORRY I
SURPRISED
YOU.

I WAS OUT OF
THE VILLAGE
AT THE TIME,
SO I DON'T
REALLY KNOW
THE DETAILS,
BUT...

THEY
ALL DID.

OH, NO.
WE'RE THE
ONES WHO
SHOULD
APOLO-
GIZE.

GOOD
EVENING,
SORRY TO
INTERUPT.

WHAAAA

GET OUT,
YOU
ROBBERS!

I'M NOT
AFRAID
OF YOU!

...THE OLD
MAN KEEPS
IT CLEAN,
RIGHT?



SARQUE-
HEAT

BE
QUIET.

SHE HAD
SPECIAL
POWERS.
SHE COULD
FLY AND
MAKE FIRE.

AND
ALSO, HEART
O'YOU
CALL IT?
MAGIC!



JUST BE
QUIET.



I WAS
HAPPY.
I HAD A
BEAUTIFUL
WIFE...

...AND A
DARLING,
INTEL-
LIGENT
DAUGHTER.

BUT ONE
DAY, MY
WIFE GOT
SICK.



BUT HERE
INCLUDED
THE
ABILITY...



A
TERMINAL
ILLNESS?



MY WIFE
ALSO HAD
MAGICAL
POWERS,
LIKE MY
DAUGHTER.

YES,
YOU
MIGHT
SAY THAT.



...TO SEE
INTO THE
FUTURE.



YES, THERE
WAS A GIRL.
THAT FIF-
TEEN WOULD
SIS-
TER-
SISTER, BUT I DON'T
KNOW IT'S
HER.

NOW
CAN YOU
BE SO
SURE?



SHE WAS A
CHILD OF
LESS THAN
TEN YEARS
OLD.



OH YES, THE
PERSON
YOU'RE
LOOKING
FOR?

AND WAS
THREE A
GIRL WITH
BLACK
HAIR AND
BLUE
EYES?



MY
DAUGHTER
WHO
PASSED
AWAY.

RAHZENSHIA
ROSSE.



I TAUGHT
HER TO DO
SIMPLE
ADDITION
WHEN SHE
WAS FIVE.

I WAS SO
Proud THAT MY
DAUGHTER COULD
LEARN TEN THINGS
FROM ASKING
ABOUT JUST ONE.

SHE HAD
MASTERED HER
MULTIPLICATION
TABLES A WEEK
LATER, AND FOUR
DAYS AFTER THAT
SHE WAS DOING
LONG DIVISION.

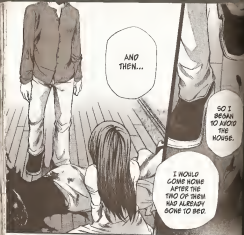


SHE WAS
ALSO
VERY
BRIGHT.

HAYES
I'M BIASED,
BUT DON'T
YOU THINK
SHE'S REAST-
FUL?

THE NEXT DAY,
WITHOUT ANY
HELP, SHE
WAS DOING
SUBTRACTION.

ALMOST
TOO
RIGHT.



AND THEN...

SO I BEGAN
TO AVOID
THE HOUSE.

I WOULD
COME HOME
AFTER THE
TWO OF THEM
HAD ALREADY
GONE TO BED.



THERE
NO NEED
TO FEEL
GUILTY
ANYMORE
AND SEE

SINCE
YOU'RE
THE ONLY
WHO ARE
DOOMED.

WHAT'S
THE
MATTER
LOVED?



SHE
PROBABLY
KNEW
WHAT
WOULD
HAPPEN
TO HER

...AND SHE
WENT A LITTLE
MORE CRAZY
EVERY DAY.

YOU'RE
GOING
TO DIE.



YOU'LL BE
SLASHED
LIKE A BUG
WHILE YOU
WONDER,
"WHY ME?"

SHE
WAS
ABOUT
TO DIE

THERE WAS
NO ONE TO BE
HUNTED DOWN
AND CALLED
OUT. SHE
WENT ON,
AND KIPPED
ABOUT!



...MY WIFE
TRIED TO KILL
HERSELF
AND MY
DAUGHTER.

...BUT IT
WAS TOO
MUCH
FOR ME.

MY DAUGHTER
WAS SIMPLY
TRYING TO
DEFEND
HERSELF...



...STARTED
TO SEEM
LIKE A
MONSTER
TO ME...
...BECAUSE
ONE WAS
TOO
BRIGHT.

MY
BRILLIANT
DAUGHTER,
THE APPLE
OF MY
EYE...

ILYRIA...?

I GOT
SCARED.

THAT'S
HOW
I GOT

BUT SHE
STILL
SMILED.

...I
KNOW SHE
KNEW THAT
I WOULDN'T
BE COMING
BACK.

WHEN
I LEFT
HER
THERE...

SHE
REALLY
WAS A
BRIGHT
CHILD.

THE
END

SHE SMILED
AND SAID
SHE'D WAIT
FOR ME.

AND
YOU...

I DON'T
HAVE MUCH,
BUT YOU'RE
WELCOME
TO STAY
HERE.

THERE'S
A GUEST
ROOM
IN THE
BACK.

I'M
SORRY
TO HAVE
TOLD YOU
SUCH A SAD
STORY.

FORGIVE
ME.

...IN THIS
DESERTED
TOWN?

...WHY
DO YOU
STAY...



YOU'RE
HER
FATHER!

EVEN
THOUGH
YOU
WERE HER
FATHER...

AND SO
YOU GOT
RID OF
HER?



...WHEN
YOUR LITTLE
DAUGHTER...

...WAS
CALLING
OUT FOR
HELP...



I WANT
TO TELL
HER I
LOVE
HER...

...AND
HOLD
HER
TIGHT.



BA-
ROOEE-
HEAT ...

YOU KNEW,
DIDN'T YOU?

YOU
KNEW WHY
SHE DIDN'T
WANT TO
COME
TO THIS
VILLAGE.



I LOOKED
FOR HER
ALL NIGHT,
BUT I
COULDN'T
FIND HER.

BUT WHEN
I GOT
THERE,
SHE WAS
GONE.

WHEN I
RETURNED
TO THE
VILLAGE
AT DAWN,
EVERYONE
WAS...



I
KESSED--
SHE IT
...

...AND WENT
BACK.



I DON'T
KNOW.

...THEN
SOMEHOW,
SHE'LL
COME BACK
TO KILL ME.

BUT IF
SHE
DID DO
IT...



YOU THINK
YOUR
DAUGHTER
DID IT?



I DON'T
EXPECT
TO BE
FORGIVEN.

BUT I
WANT TO
TELL HER
THAT I'M
SORRY.

I EXPECT TO
BE CURSED
AT, SPIT ON,
AND HELD AT
GUNPOINT.

AND BECAUSE
OF IT, MY
FAMILY HAS
GONE TO
PIECES.

IT'S NOT
YOUR FAULT,
BUT...

YOU DON'T
KNOW...

...THAT SECOND
WAS THE ONE
WHO KILLED
MY DEAREST
NATSUNE.





I
THINK...

...PRETTY
MUCH
EVERYTHING
THAT YOU
WANTED
TO KEEP
SECRET...



SAY
GUY.

I DON'T
WANNA
WAKE
THE GUY
U. SCARS.

RAHZ~



WE'VE
BEEN
HULKING
FOR AT
LEAST TWO
HOURS.

WHERE
ARE WE
GOING?



I SEE.



LIKE
HOW THE
VILLAGE
GOT THIS
WAY?

I LOOKED
ALL OVER
THE VILLAGE,
BUT THE
LOOKS LIKE
THE ONLY
HOUSE THAT'S
OCCUPIED.

OH THAT
SAY TALK
ABOUT
ANY-
THING?



HERE?
THERE
YOU ARE,
WESSEL!

OH SHHH.
DON'T
BE SO
NEGATIVE.

IT'S
RIGHT
OVER
HERE.



BUT
RAHZEL,
DON'T YOU
THINK WE
MIGHT BE
LOST?

IT'S JUST
A LITTLE
FARTHER,
SO SHUT UP
AND KEEP
FOLLOWING.



IS THERE
SOMEONE
OUTSIDE?



WESSEL



YOU WANNA
GO OUTSIDE
A LITTLE?

HEY

MY FATHER
FOUND ME
HERE WHEN
I WAS LEFT
ALL ALONE.

MY MEMORY
OF THAT
MOMENT IS
STRANGELY
BLURRY...

WHAT
WASTING
MYSTRESS,
I CAN
REMEMBER
CLEARLY...

BEFORE
MY CHILD
DANCED.

WHAT THE
HECK IS
THIS?

I DON'T
THINK THIS
IS THE
PLACE
AT ALL!

NOW CAN
YOU, WITH
THE WORST
SENSE OF
DIRECTION
KNOWN
TO MAN,
GUIDE US
ANYWHERE?!

I USED
TO PLAY
HERE
USED IT
WAS MY
BACK-
YARD!

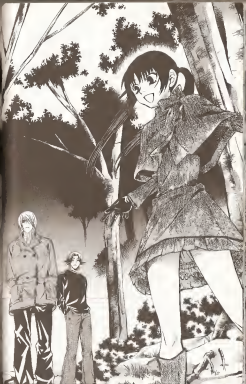
JUST
AS MY
TERRITORY!

—I'M
SURE
THIS
IS THE
SPOT...

YES, I
THINK...

OF COURSE
I KNOW
MY WAY
AROUND...

THIS IS THE
SPOT WHERE
RAZENGHUA
ROSE WAS
REBORN AS
RAZEL!





I STILL
THINK...



OH
WELL!

...IF HE HAD
BEEN THERE
THAT DAY,
NONE OF THIS
WOULD HAVE
HAPPENED.



SORRY TO
HAVE STRANDED
YOU ALL THE
WAY OUT HERE,
BUT I GUESS
WE SHOULD
GO HOME.



IF HE
WANTS TO
SEE US, I
GUESS I'LL
HAVE TO.



NOT I
WON'T
RELIE
OF IT.
WE'RE
GAINING
OUR
MIND!

WE WERE
JUST TALK-
ING ABOUT
GOING BACK
TO MY ES-
PIONAGE'S
HOUSE.

OH,
HEAT...



SINCE.

I'M PRE-
PARING
A LITTLE
CAMP.

FEE-
WOOF?



AT MIDNIGHT,
WHEN THE
DATE CHANGED,
MY MOTHER
BROKE DOWN.

NOBODY
WISHED ME
A HAPPY
BIRTHDAY.

I WROTE THE
DRESS MY
MOTHER MADE
FOR ME, AND
WAITED FOR
HER TO COME
HOME.

IN SILENCE,
HE WATCHED
THE WONDER-
FUL MEAL ON
THE TABLE
GO COLD.



SO IF I'D
WANTED
TO, I
COULD'VE
COME
BACK BY
MYSELF.

IF I'D
HAD A
PLACE
TO GO
BACK TO.



THEN WHY
DON'T YOU
NOW?

THAT GUY
SAID HE
WAS WAITING
FOR YOU
TO COME
BACK.



IT WAS MY
BIRTHDAY.



IT'S MY PROBLEM. I'VE DECIDED.

JUST LEAVE ME ALONE.

OH, SO NOW WE'RE STRANGERS?

IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU STRANGERS!

ARE WE JUST FURTHER FRIENDS TO YOU? ARE YOU JUST GOING TO WALK AWAY WHEN IT REALLY COUNTS?

AREN'T YOU THE ONE WHO SAID WE'RE A FAMILY?



CAN'T I ASK YOU TO MAKE YOUR PROBLEM...

...MY PROBLEM TOO?



WE WON'T BE GOING BACK THROUGH VELLNENE.

AND IN THE MORNINGS, WE'LL GO DOWN THE MOUNTAIN.



I WON'T ALLOW IT.



WE'RE GOING BACK!



NO WE WON'T.



YES WE WILL.



HOW WILL YOU EVEN ADDRESS SOMEONE YOU CAN ONLY CALL "THAT GUY" OR "EX-FATHER"?

"DID?" "FATHER?"



THAT DOESN'T MATTER AT ALL!



ALL RIGHT THEN... I'LL GO BY MYSELF.

I'M NOT GONNA LET YOU DO THAT.

BESIDES, WHAT WILL YOU SAY WHEN YOU SEE HIM?

...THEN
YOU CAN
GO SEE
HIM.

NOT NOW, BUT
MAYBE IN A
YEAR, MAYBE
IN TEN YEARS,
WHEN YOU'RE
READY TO GET
ON WITH IT...

THAT DAY
WILL NEVER
COME.

BUT I
CAN'T...

YOU CAN
BLAME
IT ON US.
WE'RE
HOLDING
YOU BACK.

THEN
YOU'LL
NEVER
HAVE TO
GO.

ALL
RIGHT.

I'LL
DO
THAT.

What?
I think
Fire Emblem
is really
cute...

YOU DON'T
RESEMBLE
ANY CARD
RAVES!

PROPER,
IT'S ALL
FREAKY
TALK!

YOU
USELESS
PLAYBOY.

DO YOU
THINK THIS
MEAGER
PILE OF
FIREWOOD
WILL KEEP
US WARM 'TIL
DANLIGHT?

I DON'T
NEED YOU
TO TELL
ME WHAT
TO DO.

COME
ON.
YOU
HELP
TOO.

YOU DON'T
ALWAYS
HAVE
TO PAGE IT
HEAD-ON.

YOU
CAN
SEE
HIM!

YOU DON'T
NEED TO
GET OVER IT.

YOU
STABBED
HIM!
THERE'S AN
ARROW IN
HIS BACK!
GET UP
HE'S DEAD!

WALLY!

DON'T
SMORE
ME
WHILE
YOU
GARY
ON.

WHY DON'T
YOU GO
GET SOME
TOOF?

YOU'RE
JUST
JEALOUS...
HOW
PATHETIC.

A-
AL-
ZERO
...

YOU DON'T
HAVE TO
FORGIVE
HIM.

WILL
YOU GIVE
YOURSELF
TO ME?

I'LL INTRODUCE
MYSELF SOON
ENOUGH, BUT...

YOU'RE
NOT
NEED-
ING, ARE
YOU?

WHO
ARE
YOU?

WHY
DO YOU
WANT TO
KNOW?

AREN'T
YOU JUST
GOING TO
DIE ANYWAY?

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
OVER
THERE?

I'LL DO
THAT.

I'M
WAITING.

WHAT
ARE YOU
WAITING
FOR?

I'M
WAITING
TO DIE.

THEN
GIMME.

RAHZEN-
SHU?

HE
SCARES
ME!

NO.

WHY
NOT?

THIS
GUY'S
NEVER!

YOU'RE
JUST
GOING TO
THROW IT
ALL AWAY.

NOW
DOES HE
KNOW MY
NAME?

I
WON'T!

W-
WHAT?
NO..

NO!
NO!
NO!

HMM.

I WANT YOU.

BUT DON'T YOU GET, I'M HERE NOW.

POOR THING, YOU'RE ALL ALONE.

DON'T SAY THAT.

GIVE YOURSELF TO ME, RAHENGWA!

ALREADY THIS IS DEATH.

AND...

I'LL MAKE EVERYTHING DISAPPEAR.

AND I'LL MAKE IT ALL DISAPPEAR

THE FATHER WHO ABANDONED YOU, THE VILLAGERS WHO PRETENDED NOT TO SEE.

BUT YOU'RE JUST GOING TO STAND THERE AND WAIT FOR A SLOW DEATH.

THAT'S HOW.

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS STEP OUT OF THIS CIRCLE, AND YOU CAN GO ANYWHERE.

NO! GO AWAY!

YOU JUST DON'T WANT TO ADMIT...

...THAT YOU WERE ABANDONED, SO YOUR

THAT NOBODY LOVED YOU!

THAT NOBODY HELPED YOU

THAT NOBODY CAME TO YOUR AID

YOU WANT TO KILL YOURSELF TO DISAPPEAR.

NO NO NO NO NO!

NO!

NO!

SO YOU WANT TO BELIEVE THAT YOU CAN DISAPPEAR TO DISAPPEAR.

NO!



I TOLD
YOU,
THAT'S
NOT MY
NAME!

WHO
CARES?
IT'S JUST
A WORD.

I'M
GOING
TO GET
ONE
SOON.

I MEAN, YOU
DON'T EVEN
HAVE A NAME.



IT'S ALL
RIGHT. YOU
CAN COME
OUT NOW,
ALZED.



YOU'RE
RIGHT.
SHE
IS HIS
SISTER.

YOU'VE
GOT
QUITE A
NOSE.



BEFORE
HIS
IS THAT
GIRL?

SHE
SMELLS
LIKE HIS
SISTER.



OH, DO
AS YOU
WISH.

REALLY
?

She's a
meanie!

LET ME!
I WANT
TO HOLD
HER!

NO!
KURA,
DON'T
TOUCH
HER!



...IT'S A
LITTLE
LATE,
BUT...



...HAPPY
NINTH
BIRTHDAY.



...IT'S
NOT AS
LONELY AS
I THOUGHT.

WELL
THEN...





THANK
GOD...

...SHE'S
ALIVE.

...RAHZENSHIA!

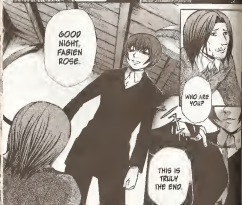


I
SHOULDN'T
HAVE LEFT
THE JOB UP
TO A KID.

I NEVER
WOULD
HAVE
GUESSED
THAT DEAR
OLD DAD
SURVIVED.



YES, NO
THANKS
TO YOU.



GOOD
NIGHT,
FABIEN
ROSE.

WHO ARE
YOU?

THIS IS
TRULY
THE END.



BAD
PEOPLE!

I'LL
GET
THEM!



SHE'S
AS GOLD
AS ICE.
THE POOR
THING.

I'LL HAVE
TO KIDNAP
HER.

MY
KANA
THE
LITTLE
RED
SISTER IS
GOLD.



GET
BACK
AT?

DID
SOMEONE
KIDNAP
LITTLE RED
SISTER?

WOULDN'T
KNOW.

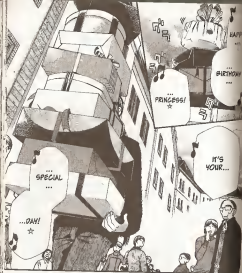
BUT
FIRST,
WE HAVE
TO GET
BACK
AT THE
PEOPLE
WHO DID
THIS TO
ME.



...BUT
THAT ONE
JUST HAVE
BEEN...

I COULDN'T
SEE HER
WELL IN THE
DARK!!





...
PRINCESS!
☆

...
BIRTHDAY
...

IT'S
YOUR...

...
SPECIAL
...

...DAY!
☆



THE
PRINCESS
...

HAPPY
...

...
BIRTHDAY
...



HE WAS
WITH HIS
SISTER!

I SAW
HIM.

ALZHEID!

WHERE
DID YOU
GO? I WAS
LOOKING
FOR YOU.



I MADE
FRIENDS
WITH HER
FIRST.

WHY?

I LIKE
HER A
WHOLE
LOT
MORE!

AND THAT
BAROQUE-
SOMETHING-
OR-OTHER,
TOO!

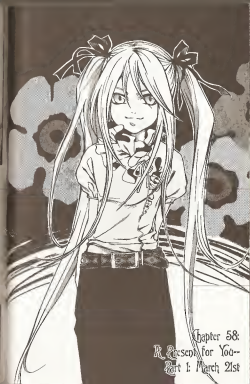
OH, THAT
ONE. THE
OTHER
ALZHEID?

YOUR
DEAR
LITTLE
BROTHER.



I WON'T
LET
THEM.

I'LL GET
RID OF
THEM
ALL.



Chapter 58:
R. Present for You--
Part 1: March 21st

HUH?

IT'S
BEEN A
WHILE,
HASN'T
IT?

I GUESS
THEY'RE STILL
QUARRELING...

IT'S
BEEN A
WHILE.

...BUT AT
LEAST
THEY'RE
GETTING
ALONG
ON THE
SURFACE.

They're not
quite back
to normal
yet...

OH...
OH...

TO BEGIN
WITH, YOU'RE...

I
BELONG
WITH
YOU.

DON'T CALL
ME NONSENSE!
AND WHY
ARE YOU
SLEEPING IN
MY BED?!

GOOD
MORNING,
NONSENSE.

NOT GOOD
ENOUGH!
AND DON'T
TRY TO
SEEM ALL
HANDSOME!

おく...

TO
MAKE AN
ARGUMENT.

IT
TAKES
TWO...

SO KILLING
HIM WOULD
SOLVE
EVERYTHING?

HA HA HA.
SORRY. I
APOLOGIZE.

OH?

WE'RE NOT
ARGUING.
AND IT'S
TOTALLY AND
COMPLETELY
HIS FAULT.

HE'S THE
ONE WHO
DESERVES
TO BE
PUNISHED!

SINCE THEN, YOUR PARTNER PROBABLY CELEBRATED IT WITH YOU, BUT YOU CAN'T COUNT ON THAT ON THE ROAD.

THE SERVICE...WAS...AWFUL...BROOD...

...THROW SOMETHING TOGETHER...

SO... MAYBE WE CAN...

...COMPLAINING THAT NOBODY CELEBRATES IT FOR YOU OR SOMETHING.

YOU WERE SILENT ABOUT IT THE OTHER DAY--THAT BIRTHDAY ISLAND...

WHEN'S YOUR BIRTHDAY?

WHA?

THE FOOD AT THIS HOTEL IS TERRIBLE!

...but our standard routine...

...has returned

...THE WHOLE IDEA OF CELEBRATING THE DAY OF ONE'S BIRTH...

...RESEMBLES ANNY'S...

...AND EATING AND DRINKING AWAY...

...NOW DO I PUT THIS THE RIGHT WAY?

IT'S NICE OF YOU TO THINK OF ME.

BUT... WELL... SURE...

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU ARE, A MAHARAJA?

YOU SHOULD BORROW THE KITCHEN AND COOK SOMETHING UP.

YOU CAN FILL THE WHOLE TABLE AND FLOOR WITH ALL MY FAVORITE DISHES.

WE'LL EAT DINNER SOMEWHERE ELSE.

DON'T SAY THINGS LIKE THAT OUT LOUD!

BUT IF...

WHAT?! TODAY?!

...IT'S SO IMPORTANT TO YOU...

YOU MUST BE JOKING!

A PARTY...

YEAH!

TO CELEBRATE MEETING UP AGAIN?

BUT HAVING A PARTY WITH ALL KINDS OF GOODIES IS A GOOD IDEA.

IT SEEMS THEY GOT RID OF THE SMELL WHILE TRYING TO MAKE IT BETTIER.

WELL, TULIPS ARE CUTE, BUT THEY DON'T HAVE ANY FRAGRANCE.



WE GOT ALL DREAMY-BRED TALKING ABOUT IT.

BUT WHAT CAN A MAN DO ABOUT THAT?



FLOWERS...

...LIKE TULIPS?

WHAT ARE YOU SUPPOSED TO GIVE PEOPLE IN GENERAL?

WELL, THERE'S THE BASICS-- MAYBE FLOWERS?



OH YEAH, AND I TOLD YOU THAT I KNOW HER BLOOD TYPE...

AND HER FAVORITE THINGS AND WHAT SHE LIKES THAT, RIGHT?

WHAT?

I ALREADY BOUGHT HER A PRESENT, TOO.

REALLY? SHE TOLD ME.

WHY DON'T YOU TELL ME SOMETHING NO MORE-TANT?



...I DID ASK HER ONCE, BUT...

WELL...

THEN WHY DON'T YOU TELL ME WHAT SHE WANTS?

ALWAYS!

I'M THE OLD MAN OUT!



BUT OF COURSE, FOR THE VERY SPECIAL WOMAN, IT'S ALWAYS ROSES.

FOR SOMEONE LIKE RANZEL, I WOULD SUGGEST AN AMBIGUE-ISH COLOR SCHEME RATHER THAN A CLASSIC RED LIKE DALLAS OR HOT ROSE.

THERE IS ONE TYPE THAT REMAINS ITS FRAGRANCE

IT'S CALLED BALLURINA. ITS BLOOMING LOOK LIKE A LILY WITH ORANGE PETALS.

BALLURINA DOES IT CORRECT?



Maybe that again.

MUSCLES.

DON'T
KID
ME!

It's a point
of view thing!

WHA!

Y-YOU'RE
THE ONE WHO
SAID TO GET
SOMETHING
I'D LIKE!

WHA!
GET IT
AWAY
FROM
ME!

IT
STINKS!
FISH
STORES!

HOW
ABOUT
THIS?

WHAT
WOMAN
WANTS
EVEN
OCTOPUS
FOR
HER
PARTNER?

AND
WHAT'S
WITH
THAT
"MISSION
ASSIGN-
PLANNED"
LOOK
ON
YOUR
FACE?

WATCH
IT,
IDOT!

BUD-
DIT?

AND...
WHAT'S
YOUR
BUDGET,
ANYWAYS?

WAIT
HERE A
MOMENT.

AL-
BOYS

IF YOU'RE
GONNA GO
WITH JUST ONE
KING, THE WHITE
FIONA IS THE
MOST POPULAR
WITH BRIDES.

OR MAYBE
SOMETHING A
LITTLE PLUSHIER
WOULD BE
BETTER--LIKE
CAROLINE OR
MONACO.

BUT GIVING
HER EDGES
WITH ANOTHER
WOMAN'S NAME
COULD BE
PROBLEMATIC
...

PERHAPS
SOMETHING
BROWN LIKE
BLACK TEA OR
AN ORANGE
JULIA WITH
A HINT OF
CARAMEL
BRIDES.

OR MAYBE
ARRANGE DE
CLINTY OR
SOME ROYAL
HONORSS--
SOFT PINK WITH
JUST A FEW
DEEP PURPLE
ROYALE FOR
ACCENT...

IT'S A
NECESSARY
EDUCATION
FOR SOME-
ONE WHO
WEDS WIVES.

worn out

A MAN WHO
KNOWS THIS
MUCH ABOUT
FLOWERS IS
INSUFFERABLE.

SOME-
THING I'D
HATE...

Fish Heaven

OR MAY-
BE JUST
SOMETHING
YOU'D LIKE
YOURSELF.

THEN AGAIN,
GETTING
FRESH FLOW-
ERS WHILE
TRAVELING
MAY JUST BE
A NISSELE
FOR HER.

A SMALL
PIECE OF
JEWELRY OR
SOMETHING
THAT WOULDN'T
GET IN THE
WAY MIGHT
BE BETTER.





HAHA



I WON'T
HEAR OF IT.



KUWA



THAT'S
STRANGE.

WHERE
THIS
HEAD--



IT'S
QUITE
ANNOY-
ING, YOU
KNOW.

IT
ISN'T NICE TO
RUN AWAY LIKE
THAT AS SOON
AS YOU SEE
SOMEONE.

I'VE GOT TO
STAY HERE
FOR A WHILE
LONGER.
I'VE GOT TO
STAY HERE
FOR A WHILE
LONGER.



DEAR
ME.



DON'T
FOLLOW
ME! I
MEAN IT!

GET
AWAY!!

I'VE
ALWAYS
WONDERED,
HOW CAN
YOU RUN AT
FULL SPEED
IN THOSE
GROGS?

GUMMIT! IT'S
NOT ENOUGH
TO JUST
HARASS ME,
YOU HAVE TO
PLAY FASHION
POLICE
TOO!

Platform boots



SO, YOU'RE GOING TO GOLF-HEADS

... EVEN THOSE WE'RE BEHIND P

HAPPY 15TH BIRTHDAY.

I HAD PLANNED TO...

... BUT TODAY'S SPECIAL.



I'D HARDLY NEED TO BOTHER FOR SOMEONE AT YOUR SKILL LEVEL, WOULD I?

C'MON.

... BUT I WILL BUY YOU TEA OR SOME-THING.

DON'T EXPECT ME TO GIVE YOU A PRESENT



DARN, HE GETS ON MY NERVES!

OH, WHO CARES.

AND YOU'RE NOT GONNA POISON ME OR ANYTHING?



YOU SAID THAT WHEN YOU SAW ME NEXT, YOU'D ATTACK OR HURT ME!

YOU!

REDISH-PINK, INDY-STEPED, WITH AN ORANGE PERSON ACCENT AND WHITE PELLE...

WHAT A WELL-GONE.



OH, DO YOU WANT ME TOP?

YOU A BABO-CHISE?



YOU SAY NOTHING?



MY MOTO.

HOTTA WA

ON THE JUST NOW.

I WON'T BOTHER YOU WITH DETAILS
BUT BECAUSE OF EVENTS THAT TOOK
PLACE WHEN I WAS YOUNG, I HAD
A GUILT YOUNG, BUT I WASN'T
WAS SUCH A GREAT OCCASION.



EVERY YEAR AS THE DAY APPROACHED,
I'D FEEL MORE AND MORE DEPRESSED.



REALLY?
YOU'RE THE
STALKER,
AREN'T
YOU?

NO WAY.
YOU'RE
PLATTENING
YOURSELF.

HEY,
KIARA...

HAVE
YOU EVER
WISHED ME
A HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
BEFORE?

I KIND
OF FEEL
LIKE YOU
HAVE...

HOW
YOU'RE
GETTING
ON MY
NEEVES.

MAYBE I
SHOULD
KILL YOU
RIGHT
AWAY.



I NEVER
SAID
ANY
SUCH
THING.

SHUT UP,
SINCE YOU
SAID YOU'D
HAND WITH ME,
YOU'RE SOWING
"IL THE VERY
END.

I'M
GETTING
PRETTY
TIRED.

HEY,
ALZED



AND
BEFORE I
KNOW IT, MY
BIRTHDAY
DON'T
DEPRESS ME
ANYMORE.

AND EVERY
YEAR HE'D
SAY, "LET'S
CELEBRATE
BIG AGAIN
THIS YEAR!"

BUT EVERY YEAR,
FATHER MADE MORE
DELICIOUS FOOD
THAN HE COULD
POSSIBLY EAT,
AND HE SHOWERS
ME WITH SO MANY
PRESENTS IT
ALMOST BORED
ME!

Chapter 59.

A Present for You-Part 2 Reunion and a Premonition of Parting



STOP
WITH THE
WILD
THINGS...

SINCE I
SUDDENLY
CAME INTO
SOME
HONOR...

YES-
BUT I
SHOULD
GO WILD

WHAT
ABOUT
THAT
OVER
THERE?

OH, YOU
MEAN
QUANTITY
OVER
QUALITY?

COME ON
JUST GIVE
ME A GIFT
SOME-
THINGS FOR
A MOMENT
OR SOMETHING

I CAN'T
HEARD
PUNISH-
SHOOTING
WITH A
PUPP.

THERE
THEY
ARE!



WHA.
SUCH A
HEART-
WARMING
STORY.

TOTAL
RUBBISH.





SECOND?

IT HEARD
YOU WERE
GONE...

THANKS
FOR
LOOKING
AFTER MY
NO-GOOD
BROTHER...

ONE IS
THIS A
FRIEND OF
YOURS,
HEAT?

MAN,
YOU'VE GOT
GIRLS
EVERY-
WHERE.



SORRY.
MY
MISTAKE.

NO... YOU'RE
TOO YOUNG
TO BE HIM.
YOU MUST
BE THE
CLONE.



ALZED

EVERYBODY
IN THIS TOWN
KNOWS THAT
YOU'RE
SECOND'S
CLONE.

OF COURSE
YOUR FAMILY
WOULD
KNOW THAT.
BAROQUE-
HEAT.

ALZED?



DON'T
DO IT
AGAIN.

ALL
RIGHT?



...BIG
BROTHER?

YOU
SHOULDN'T
SMILE
WHILE
WALKING.

ARE YOU
WORKING
PART-
TIME AS A
POLYMER
BOY...

OR
RATHER,
WHAT IS
ALL THIS
STUFF?

WELL
DONE!



"ALZBIO"?

IS THAT WHAT
YOU CALL
YOURSELF?

WHY
IS HE
NEED?

HE'S NOT
SUPPOSED
TO BE
AROUND.

YES.

THAT'S
MY NAME.

FATHER~~

DID HE COME
TO CELEBRATE
MY BIRTHDAY?!



IT'S
ALZBIO AND
BARQUE-
HEHE!

HEY!



YOU'RE
AN IDIOT.

ARE YOU
COMING,
KIARA? I'LL
INTRODUCE
YOU.



MY
BUSINESS
HERE IS
FINISHED.
I'M
LEAVING.

BYE-
BYE.

HEY,
WAIT...



YEAH, YOU SAW
SO, BUT THEN
YOU PICK ME
A NICE BOX OF
GOODIES. THE
JEWELRY JUST
DOESN'T HOLD.
I DON'T GET IT!

NOW IT
SEEMS RATHER
REDUNDANT,
BUT I'VE TOLD
YOU MANY
TIMES THAT I AM
YOUR ENEMY,
YOUR RIVAL.
UNDERSTAND?

THAT'S BECAUSE
YOU ORDERED SO
MANY DIFFERENT
GOODIES! YOU
COULDN'T POSSIBLY
FINISH, SO I HAD TO
HAVE THEM BOXED.

THANKS
FOR THE
SWEETS!

WHAT THE
HECK IS
GOING ON
HERE?!

AND
ALZED, WHY
ARE YOU
LETTING HIM
BEAT YOU UP
SO EASILY?!

FATHER
?!

AND
BAROSHEAT,
YOU SHOULD
KNOW BETTER
THAN TO JUST
STAND THERE
AND WATCH
IT HAPPEN!

FRIEND
?!

WE'RE
THE ONES
WHO NEED AN
EXPLANATION!!

NOW,
I WANT AN
EXPLANATION
FOR ALL
THIS!

HOW ARE
YOU BEATING
UP MY
FRIENDS?

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE?

AND
OTHER
THINGS
YOU'RE
DOING...

I DON'T
KNOW
WHAT
YOU'RE
UP TO...

...BUT THAT'S
A SPECIAL
NAME THAT
A SPECIAL
WOMAN USED
TO CALL A
SPECIAL MAN.

IT'S NOT
SOMETHING
ANYONE ELSE
SHOULD USE
LIGHTLY.

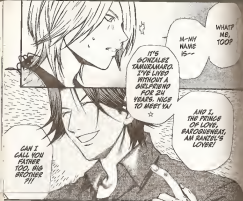
...
SECOND'S
GLOW.

IF YOU
JUST WANT
AN ALIAS,
FIND
SOME
OTHER
COMMON
NAME...

STOP
CALLING
ME THAT...

FATHER!

IF YOU
ANSWER
ME, GOOD
ENOUGH,
I WANT
SECOND TALK



WHAT?
ME, TOOP

W-HY
NAME IS--

IT'S GONZALEZ
DANIELMARIO. I'VE LIVED
WITHOUT A
GIRLFRIEND
FOR 24
YEARS. NICE
TO MEET YA!

AND I,
THE PRINCE
OF LOVE,
BAROSHEHEAT,
AM DANIEL'S
LOVER!

CAN I
CALL YOU
FATHER
TOO, BIG
BROTHER
P!!



THAT'S
NOT TRUE.
I'M QUITE
SEE-
FISHED.

And you
couldn't
be more
right.

DANIEL,
YOU DON'T
SEEM
SURPRISED
AT ALL.

I THINK
IT'S PRETTY
SHOCKING,
MYSELF.



YEAH.

THAT'S
RIGHT.

BUT
...
BUT
YOU'RE REAL
BROTHERS,
BY BLOOD
AND EVERY-
THING?



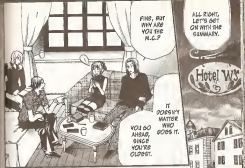
I'M SO
THROTTLED
♥

NOT
TRUE.

...PLEASE
TELL ME
IT'S NOT
TRUE,
DANIEL!

DEAR
GOD...

Body alive



FINE, BUT
WHY ARE
YOU THE
N.E.P

ALL RIGHT,
LET'S GET
ON WITH THE
SUMMARY.

Hotel W's

IT
DOESN'T
MATTER
WHO
DOES IT.

YOU DO
ANSWER,
SINCE
YOU'RE
CLOSEST.



I'M
DANIEL'S
FATHER,
SCRATCHED.
WE'RE
FRIENDS.

ON THE SIDE,
I'M ALSO
HEAT'S BIG
BROTHER,
UNFORTUNATE
AS THAT
WOULD BE.

YOU MEAN
WHAT?
INTRODUCE
MYSELF?



I'M
DANIEL-
GEEZ'S
DAUGHTER.

I'M
ON THE
ROAD WITH
BAROSHE-
HEAT AND
ALDEID.

SO DO I
HAVE TO
GIVE MY
NAME, TOOP
EVERYBODY
KNOWS IT
ALREADY...

I DON'T
THINK YOU
NEED TO
GIVE ME
THE
PHEASANT...

WHERE?
RIGHT
HERE, OF
COURSE.

HERE?

WEREN'T YOU ABLE TO GET A
SINGLE ROOM
FOR HART-
FUL

WE HAD
THEM BEING
AN EXTRA
BED INTO
A DOUBLE
ROOM.

NO,
FATHER. THIS ROOM
IS FOR
ALL THREE
OF US.

I WANT
TO BRING
IN YOUR
PRESENTS.

BY THE
WAY, RAZEL,
WHERE'S
YOUR ROOM?

AND YOU
WHEATED
BY HART-
FUL...

WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING
HERE?

RAZEL?

I REFUSE
TO BE
ADDRESSSED
CASUALLY
BY YOU.
DROP
DEAD!

NOW
YOU
WANT
ME
DEAD?!

FIRST OF
ALL, IT'S MR.
SEATED TO YOU,
BENJAMIN
TESHGA-
NARA.

WHAT THE
HECK IS
WITH THAT
NAME? IT'S
EXTREMELY
DIFFERENT
FROM THE
LAST ONE!

THEN
YOU'RE
...

...THE
SAME
AS MY
FATHER.

BAROSU-
HEAT, ALZED,
AND ME. ALL
THREE OF US.

ALL
THREE
OF
YOU?

IF I DID,
I MIGHT
HAVE TO
HATE YOU.
☆

NEVER MIND. I
MIGHT ACTUALLY
ASK THAT. I
MIGHT EVEN
INVESTIGATE
MY LITTLE BEAR
BAB TO SEE
IF THERE'S
ANYTHING
IN IT.

NOW IN THE
WORLD DID
YOU FIND
OUT WHERE
I WAS?

YOU'RE
TOO
BRIGHT, MY
DAUGHTER.

WELL, I
DON'T WANT
TO HAVE TO
CALL MY
OWN FATHER
A WEIRD OR
A KILLER.

TODAY IS
MY DAUGHTER'S
BIRTHDAY.
IT SHOULD
BE CELE-
BRATED.

BESIDES,
IT SHOULD
BE CELE-
BRATED.

DID YOU
COME HERE
JUST TO
CELEBRATE?



SAY YOU'RE
SORRY,
FATHER!



RYT...



THAT'S
NO
EXCUSE.

YOU
SHOULD
APOLO-
GIZE TO
THEM.

BUT I'M
WORRIED
ABOUT
YOU.



I
WON'T
ALLOW
IT!!



IS THE LAST
THING I'LL
SAY, YOU
FISHEADED
DOGS!



LIKE...



ONE OF
THESE DAYS,
I'LL LOOK
BOTH OF
YOU INTO
A TASTY
STEW IN THE
FLAMES
OF HELL!



I'M...

NOBODY!

...I'M
SOLLY...



WE'VE
ALWAYS
AS A VERY
GRAVE
RESPONSE,
WE TWO.

SO, WE'RE
ESSENTIAL
TO A
KAGURA
MELT-
DOWN?



NO ONE
WILL BE
ALLOWED
TO COME
NEAR
YOU, NOT AT
ANY AND
FEARS!



IT
WOULD BE
EXTENSIVE
TO GET
SEPARATE
ROOMS.



ONE
ROOM? WITH
TWO
FATHERS?
HEHEHEHE
KAGURA
LOTT!



OUTSIDERS
HAVE NO
RIGHT TO
TALK ABOUT
OUR TRAVEL
ARRANGE-
MENTS.

B-BUT
RAHEL...

...BUT
YOU'RE
GONNA GO
HOME RIGHT
AWAY AND
LEAVE ME
HERE, RIGHT?

I'M
GLAD YOU
CAME...



DON'T YOU
THINK YOU'RE
BEING SAVING
TERRIBLY
IMPOLITE
THINGS
ABOUT MY
PARENTS?

FATHER,
I'VE
BEEN
THINK-
ING...



SAY WHAT YOU WILL. THE TIMES CALL FOR CUTE MEN.

YOU NEED TO CREATE SUCH A LOVABLE CHARACTER?

NOW I RELISH THE IDEA.

I'M WAY PAST THAT KIND OF GREEN IMMATURE, YOUNG MAN.

IS THAT REALLY HOW YOU WANT TO BE SEEN AS A MAN?



WOW

AND, CUTE FATHER BUT I AM, I CANNOT DEAL TO FACE THE REALITY OF MY DEAR DAUGHTER SLEEPING IN THE SAME ROOM AS TWO SLEAZY GUYS.

BAHED, IF YOU HAVE ANY SENSE OF MERCY, WON'T YOU PLEASE STAY WITH ME IN SEPARATE ROOMS, WHICH I SHALL BE GLAD TO DO. I'M HERE?

CUTE MAN HAS NO PRIDE!!



SAK, FATHER!!

WHAT IS IT, DEAR?



BUT SHE'S REALLY PRESENT THAN I THOUGHT HE'D BE.

THAT'S OKAY...

SORRY ABOUT THAT BROTHER OF MINE.

YEAH, GOOD IDEA.

SORRY. I'LL LOCK THE DOOR.

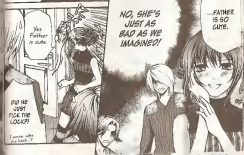


HAH?

I THOUGHT SHE'D SHOWN MORE OF AN OBVIOUS ELECTRA COMPLEX.

BURNING MEAT WITH A PARTING THRUST WHEN HE'S SO UPSET HE'S GRINDING...

TRUE.



NO, SHE'S JUST AS BAD AS WE IMAGINED!

...FATHER IS SO CUTE.

Yes Father is cute.

DID HE JUST PICK THE LOCK?

I mean who is he? A lock?



I GUESS
I'M THE
ONLY ONE
WHO'S
EXCITED.

IT'S BEEN
SO LONG
SINCE I
SAW YOU.



I'M SAD...



WELL,
NOW...
SEE, IT'S
NOT THAT
I DIDN'T
WANT TO
SEE YOU...

...I JUST DIDN'T
WANT YOU TO BE
ALL TOUNG-
FEEPLY IN FRONT
OF OTHER
PEOPLE. IT'S
EMBARRASSING.



DON'T
YOU CARE
ABOUT
YOUR
OLD MAN
ANYMORE?



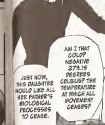
NOW
SHE
HATES
ME!

YOU'RE
SO
MANIPU-
LATIVE,
FATHER!



THAT
COM-
PARISON
IS SO
UNFAIR!

SO WHAT
THOSE NO-
GOOD PMS
THINK IS MORE
IMPORTANT
THAN A TENDER
MOMENT WITH
YOUR FATHER?



JUST NOW,
THIS DAUGHTER
WOULD LIKE ALL
HER FATHER'S
BIOLOGICAL
PROCESSES
TO CEASE.

AM I THAT
COLD?
NEGATIVE
273.15
DEGREES
CELSIUS?
THE
TEMPERATURE
AT WHICH ALL
MOVEMENT
CEASES?



OOOH MY
DAUGHTER
JUST HIT
ABSOLUTE
ZERO.



I WON'T
COME
EVENING
INTO THEM.

WHY HAVE
YOU GOT
YOUR KNEES
OUT LIKE
THAT?

WE'RE
FINALLY
ALONE,
KAZU!!



YES...
...I KNOW.



I LOVE
YOU,
FATHER.



I LOVE
YOU.

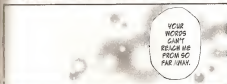


I CAN'T
HEAR
YOU.

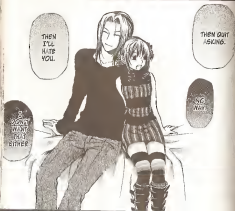


YES...I
LOVE
YOU.

AND I'M
HAPPY TO
SEE YOU
TOO.



YOUR
WORDS
CAN'T
REACH ME
FROM SO
FAR AWAY.

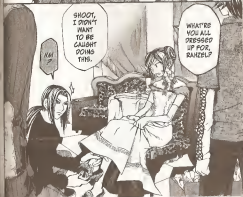


THEN
I'LL
HATE
YOU.

THEN DON'T
ASKING.

SO
WANT
HAT
EITHER







Please stand by for a moment.

Isadora says



huff huff



HOW
WILL YOU
EXP...IN



YOU
SEEM
GONE
WELL,
PERHAPS
YOU
NEED
A BIT
MORE?

REALLY?

Is my
brother?

BIG
BROTHER...I
FEEL LIKE
I'M INCHES
FROM DEATH.



HE'S
TOUCHED
MY
SEASIDE
MANY
TIMES...

Cook

HE STOLE
MY FIRST
KISS ON
THE DAY
HE MET.

...AND
INFORMS
ME THAT
THEY'RE
NEGOTI-
ABLE.



UHM...
HAZEL...I
JUST...

AM...

...AND I
REALLY
THOUGHT
THAT I
MIGHT BE
IN TROUBLE
THAT DAY.

THE OTHER
DAY, HE
PUSHED
ME DOWN
ONTO A SOFA...



WILL YOU
BRING
YOUR
PROPERTY
AND
YOUR
PROPERTY
TO ME?



HEAT.



HEY,
RAHZE...



I DON'T
WANT TO
HEAR IT.

NO,
DON'T
SAY IT.



YOUR
FATHER
IS AN
IDIOT,
ISN'T
HE?

YOU HIT
THE NAIL
RIGHT
ON THE
HEAD.

I SAW KARA
RECENTLY...
AFTER ALL
THESE YEARS.



SUCH AN
INNOCENT
FACE FOR A
DIRTY LIE
LIKE THAT
TO COME
FROM...

...AND
MY
MONEY,
TO BOOT.

I'LL LET
MONEY DO
THE TALK-
ING, OF
COURSE.

YOU DO
HAVE
ENOUGH
TO COVER
IT, DON'T
YOU?



BY
THE WAY,
SEX...

WHAT
IS IT, MY
MOROSE
LITTLE
BROTHER?



MAYBE I
SHOULD
JUST ASK.

HEY,
RAHZEL...



RIGHT
YOU
ARE.

...AND
LOTS OF
THINGS.



I WISH I COULD GET OUT
OF HERE.

...GIVE
EIGHT



WHAT
DO
YOU...



FATHER?



I GUESS
I'LL JUST
GRAB IT
ALL INTO
MY BAG.

MY GOD,
IT'S GOING
IN!
IT'S... IT
FITS!
INSIDE!



ABOUT THIS
TIME OF
YEAR, HE
HAS
THE HABIT
OF BUYING
EVERYTHING
IN SIGHT AND
BRINGING
IT HOME.



YEAR.
WHAT AM I
SUPPOSED
TO DO WITH
ALL THIS
STUFF IN
THE MIDDLE
OF A TRIP?

IT'S LIKE A
SQUEEZE
GETTING
READY
FOR
WINTER!



...SO THAT
THIS DAY
CAN BE A
HAPPY ONE
FOR ME.

I GUESS
HE'S
TRYING
TO BE
NICE...



FATHER
HAS
GIVEN ME
LOTS OF
THINGS...

...A WARM
CUP OF
TEA, AND
A PLACE TO
CALL HOME...

KNOWLEDGE
AND POWER,
PRIDE AND
DIGNITY...



IT
LOOKS
TO ME
LIKE HE'S
THE ONE
HAVING
FUN.

YOU'RE
RIGHT.
THAT
MAKES
ME HAPPY
TOO.



Chapter 60:
A Present for You-
Part 3: I Spent the Morning of a Lifetime



YOU
KNOW,
FATHER,
I'M HAPPY
YOU CAME
TO GOLD-
BREAST...

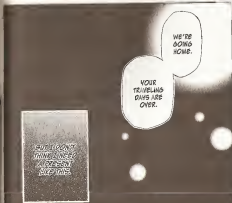
WHAT?

REALLY,
REALLY
HAPPY...



WHAT'S THE
MATTER?
YOU DIDN'T
EVEN
ENJOY...

GET YOUR
THINGS
READY
RIGHT NOW.



WE'RE
GOING
HOME.

YOUR
TRAVELING
DAYS ARE
OVER.

SO I CAN'T
THINK I'LL EVER
FORGET
THIS TIME.



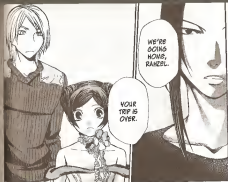
IT'S YOUR
HOUSE
TOO.

FATHER!

...THAT
HOUSE
BELONGS
TO YOU.

SINCE
IT'S YOUR
PLACE, YOU
HAD THE
RIGHT...

...TO SEND
ME OUT OF
THE HOUSE.



WE'RE
GOING
HOME,
RANSEL.

YOUR
TRIP IS
OVER.



DO
YOU THINK
YOU CAN
JUST ORDER
ME AROUND
WHenever
YOU FEEL
LIKE IT?

BUT I, FROM
THE TIPS OF
MY TOES TO
EVERY HAIR
ON MY HEAD,
BELONGS
TO ME.

IT'S MY
TERRITORY.
ARE YOU
TRYING TO
INVADE IT?



I CAN'T
TELL YOU.



I
DO.

BUT
YOU THINK
I'LL INVOLVE
YOUR SELFISH-
NESS.

NOT AT
ALL.

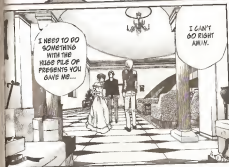
I'M
BEING
ENTIRELY
SELFISH.

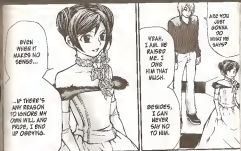


DO YOU
HATE
ME THAT
MUCH,
YOU IDIOT
OF A
PARENT?

WHE'NT
YOU THE
ONE WHO
KICKED
ME OUT
ON THE
TOAST?

WHY
CHANGE
YOUR
MIND SO
SUDDEN-
LY?









...WILL
BE THE
GREATEST
GIFT OF
ALL.

IF YOU DO
THAT, THE
TIME THAT
YOU'VE
SPENT TO
GETTING...

EACH
MEETING
MIGHT BE
CALLED A
ONCE-IN-A-
LIFETIME.

YOU'VE
GOT IT ALL
WRONG.

I SEE...A
SPECIAL
GOND-
TENS
FOR THAT
SPECIAL
SOME-
ONE.

YOU NEVER
KNOW WHEN
YOU'LL PART,
OR IF YOU'LL
EVER MEET
AGAIN.

IT'S
JUST THAT
SOMEONE
WHO'S BEEN
WITH ME
IS GOING
AWAY.

FAREWELLS
ALWAYS
COME
SUDDENLY.

ALL YOU
CAN DO IS
SPEND EVERY
SECOND SO
THAT THERE'LL
BE NO
SECRETS.

SORRY
TO KEEP
YOU
OPEN SO
LATE.

SHUT
UP,
OLD
MAN!

I'M NEVER
COMING TO
THIS STUPID
SHOP
AGAIN!





I'M GOING
TO TELL YOU
A SECRET,
SINCE WE
MAY NEVER
SEE EACH
OTHER
AGAIN.

I'M
NOT
HUMAN.

HUM?

RAHZEL

HUM? YOU
ALREADY
KNOW?

OH,
THAT.

SINCE
WHEN?

OH DEAR,
LITTLE RED
RIDING HOOD
WAS A HUNTER
IN DISGUISE.

YES,
AND I
HUNT TO
KILL.

NOW
I'M
SCARED.

IT'S
YOUR OWN
FAULT FOR
TACKLING
INTO THE
WOLF'S
DEN.

IF YOU'RE
EATEN ALIVE,
THERE'S NO
ONE ELSE
TO BLAME.

...WITH HIS
STOMACH
STUFFED
WITH
STONES.

THERE I'LL
JUST HAVE
TO THROW
THE BIG
BAD WOLF
DOWN THE
WELL...

SAROOBIE-
HEAT, YOU'LL
BE SAYING
WITH ALZED,
RIGHT?

THAT
MEANS IT'S
GOODBYE
FOR US,
TOO.

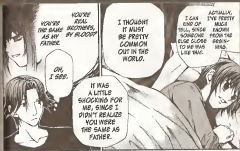


WEEK
OH, THE
FEELINGS...

...I SAID
YOU FOR
YOUR
SOUTHWEST?

OH, BY
THE WAY,
I DECIDED
TO TRY IT ON.
HOW DO
YOU THINK?

DO
YOU
LIKE
IT?



YOU'RE
REAL
BROTHERS,
BY BLOOD?

OH,
I SEE.

IT WAS
A LITTLE
SHOCKING FOR
ME, SINCE I
DIDN'T REALIZE
YOU WERE
THE SAME AS
FATHER.

I THOUGHT
IT MUST
BE PRETTY
COMMON
OUT IN THE
WORLD.

I CAN
END OF
TALK, SINCE
SOMEONE
ELSE CLOSE
TO ME WAS
LIKE THAT.

ACTUALLY,
THE FEELING
MUCH
EASIER
FROM THE
BEGINNING.



DON'T
YOU
THINK
IT'S TOO
GROWN-
UP?

IS THIS
REALLY
HOW YOU
SEE ME?

CASSIS,
RASPBERRY,
LEAF OF THE
VALLEY,
WILD
ROSE...

BUT
WHAT'S
THE
SCENT?

YEAH.

LIKE
JAPANESE
SAKE?

NO WAY!
SO NOW
I SHALL
LIKE
SAKE?

...AND
RICE
WINE.



BAROQUE,
YOU'RE NOT
THE AGE YOU
LOOK EITHER,
ARE YOU?

EVEN WHEN
I'VE GROWN
UP, BECOME AN
OLD WOMAN AND
IT'S TIME FOR
ME TO DIE...

...YOU'LL
ALWAYS BE
THE SAME...
FOREVER...

FATHER
HASN'T
CHANGED
AT ALL,
SINCE THE
FIRST TIME
I MET HIM.

HE
DOESN'T
AGE.



YOU'LL
DO THINGS
I'LL NEVER
DO...

...WITH
SOME-
ONE I
DON'T
KNOW.

SO
PLEASE
STAY THE
WAY YOU
ARE.

IT'S A
LIE...
THAT I'LL
NEVER SEE
YOU AGAIN.

I'LL GONE
AND VISIT.
I PROMISE.



IT'S A
LIE.

?

...YOU'LL GO
SOMEBODY
OTHER THAN
ME "FAMILY."

YOU'LL HAVE
ALL YOUR
MEMORIES
TO REM.

YOU'LL GET
OLD TOGETHER,
AND WHEN
SOMEONE I'LL
NEVER MEET...



SO, I'M
GONNA
GET BEING
A WOMAN
AND GO
STRAIGHT TO
A GRANDPITY

YOU'LL
BE A
CUTE
LITTLE
OLD
LADY.

DON'T
WORRY.
YOU'LL
GROW
INTO IT IN
NO TIME.



BY THEN,
YOU'LL
PROBABLY
HAVE NICE
LARGE
BREASTS,
TOO.



SOON...

YES,
I'LL HAVE
VERY WELL
DEVELOPED
PECTORALIS
MAJORS.

A WELL-
MUSCLED
MAMMARY
GLAND.





AND
WHAT IF
THERE WAS
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT?!



IDIOT IDIOT
IDIOT IDIOT.

I'M AN
IDIOT.



WHY?

IS IT ENOUGH
IF SHE
REMEMBERS
YOU ONCE
IN A WHILE?

IS IT
ENOUGH
IF SHE
DOESN'T
FORGET
YOU?



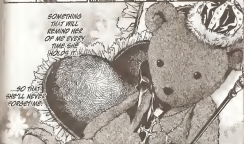
AND
POSSIBLY
LIKE
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT



NO...

EVER
NOT
ENOUGH

SINCE
I'M OUT
OF TIME,
MAYBE I'LL
SETTLE FOR
THIS ONE.



SOMETHING
THAT WILL
REMAIN HERE
OF ME EVERY
TIME SHE
HOLDS IT.

SO THAT
SHE'LL NEVER
FORGET ME.

IF
YOU'RE
GOING
TO LEAVE
NOW...

...YOU'RE
NO FAMILY
OF MINE!!

I
WON'T!

I'LL
NEVER
WRITE TO
YOU!

I'LL NEVER
COME TO
SEE YOU!
I WON'T
REMEMBER
YOU!

I WON'T
THINK ABOUT
SOMEONE
WHO'S NOT
AROUND! NOT
EVEN FOR A
MINUTE, NOT
EVEN FOR A
SECOND!





GOD...

...DAMN
YOU!!!



WHAT
THE---!!



AM I
THE ONLY
ONE WHO
THOUGHT WE
WERE FAMIL-
LY? YOU
JERK!

WHAT KIND
OF COLD-
HEARTED
THING IS
THAT TO
SAY?!

WHAT THE
HECK ARE
YOU DOING,
RANDEL?!

DON'T YOU
KNOW THAT'S
DANGER--

IS A
FAMILY

ALZEID!

IS A
FAMILY STILL
A FAMILY
WHEN THEY'RE
ALL APART?

?

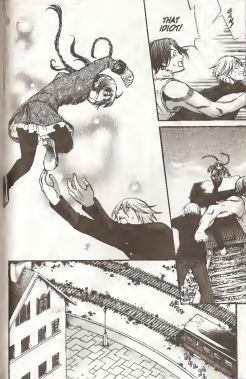
IF
YOU DON'T
EVEN KNOW
WHERE AND
HOW THEY'RE
LYING, OR
WHETHER
THEY'RE SICK
OR WELL,
CAN YOU CALL
YOURSELVES
FAMILY?

IF YOU CAN'T
TELL THEM
WHEN YOU'RE
HAPPY OR
WHEN YOU'RE
SAD, ARE
YOU STILL A
FAMILY?

EVEN IF
YOU CAN'T
SEE EACH
OTHER
EVER AGAIN?

YES.

THAT
IDIOT!





YOU HATE
IT SO
MUCH THAT
IT MAKES
YOU CRY.



FINE
THEN,
I'LL
GO WITH
YOU.



NOW
CAN I?

NOW AM
I SUP-
POSED TO GO
THAT?



YOU DON'T
WANT TO
PART LIKE
THIS EITHER,
DO YOU?



AND IT
DOESN'T
MAKE
ME FEEL
BETTER
AT ALL.

IT'S A
LIE.

NO MATTER HOW
YOU SPEND YOUR
TIME, YOU'VE
HARDLY GROWN.

YES!!

IT'LL NEVER
BECOME A
BEAUTIFUL
MEMORY.



I WON'T
ACCEPT IT.

SCREW
THE
ONCE-
IN-A-
LIFETIME
GRAB.



ARE YOU
ASKING
ME TO
IGNORE
MY
FATHER?!

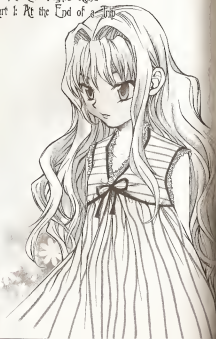
THEN WHAT
DO YOU
WANT ME
TO DO?!

DO YOU
WANT ME
TO KEEP
TRAVELING
WITH YOU?!

THEN...



Chapter 61:
Such a Cold Night's Hand--
Part 1: At the End of a Trip



I'd be
better here
and not
have to
go back at
me for the
perfume?



Later, she
received
"material
things"
as well.



DAR-
LING...
HOW
COULD
YOU?

WHAT'RE YOU
DOING? I
CAN'T EAT
THEM ALL
AT ONCE!

WAH!

PFFFT!



SO, YOU
CAN'T OR
WON'T EAT
MY FROZEN
MAMMARY
SLICES?



HE'S BEEN
LIKE THIS
SINCE WE
LEFT THE
STATION.

HOW CAN HE
SLEEP SO
PEACEFULLY
WITH ALL THIS
RACKET?

I'M SORRY!
I'LL BAT
THEM! DON'T
HURRY ME!
THIS IS MY
VERY FIRST
TIME!

HE
SHOULD'VE
GONE TO
ONE OF THE
SLEEPING
BERTHS.

NOY STOP!
IT'LL
BREAK.
YOU'RE
CRUSHING
IT! OW! OW!



ALL
RIGHT.

AAAH.
♡

GENTLE
PEECE



HERE
YOU GO,
DARLING.

SAY
AAAH.
♡



ON THE
CONTRARY,
I DON'T
THINK HE'LL
WAKE UP IN
THE FIRST
PLACE.

I WANT TO
SHOW ALBERT
TOO, BUT DO
YOU THINK
HE'LL GET
MAAD IF I
WAKE HIM?

LOOK!
THE SUN'S
SETTING.
I'D LOVE TO
OPEN THE
WINDOW TO
WATCH IT,
BUT WOULD
THE OTHER
PASSENGERS
MIND?

WELL,
YES...
IT'S STILL
GOLD OUT.

TOO
BAD.

LOOK
AT THE
SURFACE
OF THE
WATER
SPARKLING.

IT'S BEAUTI-
FUL.

There are the
moments

...you
re-
member

I WOULD
HAVE BEEN
OKAY IN
THAT ROOM
TOO.

I CAN'T
SPEND EXTRA
MONEY ON
DUES.

AND
YOU,
RAHEL,
WHY
ARE YOU
SITTING
HERE?

I
GOT YOU
A PRIVATE
ROOM ALL
TO YOUR-
SELF.

SO,
THAT'S
YOUR
ANS.

I'D KILL
YOU IF
YOU DID
SOME-
THING LIKE
THAT...
HEAT.

I'D LIKE
TO HAVE
GONE
THAT, BUT
I DID AS
I WAS
TOLD.

BUT YOU'RE
ALL SHARING
A FOUR-
BERTH ROOM,
AREN'T YOU?

IT'S
NO FUN
BEING
ALONE.

IS THAT
SO?

YES,
THAT'S
SO.

BESIDES,
ON TRAINS,
I LIKE
SEATS
LIKE THIS
BETTER.

THERE'S
NOTHING
ELSE
TO DO.

IT'S
NOTHING,
REALLY.

WHY
ARE YOU
BOTH SO
MELAN-
CHOLIC?

WE
NEED JUST
EVENING
PIZZAS
SOMETHING
FROM OUR
TENT.

YOU'RE
RIGHT.

OF
COURSE
I AM.

...and you
wonder
why that
person
isn't there.

You turn to
the people
you share
things
with...

THAT'S
BECAUSE
IT'S SAID.

'CAUSE
WE'RE
FRIENDS.

YOU'RE
RIGHT.

WELL,
IN THAT
CASE...

...DO YOU
WANT TO
PLAY WITH MY
HOMEMADE
SURNAMES
CARDS?

SURNAME...

JUST
CARDS.

WHAT THE
HELL ARE
THOSE,
RIS BOYKEEP?

...CARDS?

When
you eat
some-
thing
delicious

When you
hear a
beautiful
melody

When
you're
sleeping and
dreams give
you extra
change,
or when a
stranger is
kind to you

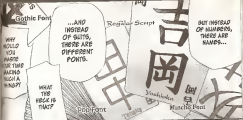
Right in
the middle
of a happy
moment,
you want
to tell
someone.



Michael
Teacher

THE
RULES ARE
THE SAME
AS POKER,
RIGHT?

THEN
I'LL TAKE
THOSE
CARDS.



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吉岡

BUT INSTEAD
OF NUMBERS,
THERE ARE
HANDS...

WHY
WOULD
YOU
WASTE
OUR TIME
HAVING
SUCH A
WINGUP?

...AND
INSTEAD
OF SUITS,
THERE ARE
DIFFERENT
PONTS.

WHAT
THE
HECK IS
THAT?

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WHAT?/
ARE YOU
KIDDING
ME? AND
YOU'RE
SAYING IT'S
LINGAL?

WHY DOES
HE HAVE
A FULL
NAME?

NOWBODY
KNOWS
LINGAL'S
REAL
NAME.

THERE ARE FOUR
OF THEM:
TAKAKA,
OKAMOTO,
HIDAMARI,
AND LINGAL.

HE'S
LIKE A
JOKER.

BE
SURE--
THERE ARE
FOUR OF
THEM,
TOO



OH, NO.
IT'S YOUR
BROTHER
WHO'S
STRANGE,
HEHE.

WOW...
PARCEL'S
FATHER IS
VERY
RECENTLY.

WHY DON'T
WE PLAY
A QUICK
GAME OF
POKER?

IT'LL BE
EASIER TO
EXPLAIN
WHILE WE
PLAY.

WHY ARE
YOU TWO
TALKING
ABOUT ME
LIKE I'M A
STRANGER?



POW OF
A KING?
HEHE,
YOU'RE
FEELING
GOOD
AT THIS.

HOW MANY
SUZUKI
ARE THERE
ANYWAYS?

WHY I
HAVE ALL
SUZUKI'S
EXCEPT
FOR MACHADO!



I HAVE...
A FULL
HOUSE--
SIX TO OVER
SUZUKI.

OWMY
IF



HOW
DO YOU
PLAY?

Full House
Three of a kind
plus a pair

TOO BAD
I'M NOT
A FULL
HOUSE WITH
MACHADO.
OVER
KUMADA, I WIN.



HOW
DO YOU
PLAY THIS
ONE?

SUZUKI
AGAIN?

AND I
HAVE MACHADO,
SATO,
SUZUKI,
SUZUKI.

IT'S
TENSEL.

Why not use
numbers that
completely
represent it?

SINCE THIS
HAND IS JUST
FOR FUN,
WHY DON'T
WE ALL SHOW
OUR CARDS?

NOW I
REALLY
DON'T
GET IT.

SUZUKI,
SUZUKI,
SATO,
YOSHIOKA,
SAKAI.

YOU'RE
ALREADY
GOT A
PAIR,
HEHE.

鈴木
佐藤
鈴木
鈴木

鈴木
鈴木
鈴木
鈴木

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鈴木

NOW DID THE TWO OF YOU GET IT SO QUICKLY?!

I'M NOT EVEN NEARLY AS FAST AS YOU!
AND WHAT ABOUT MY MICHAEL?!

I THOUGHT I WOULD WIN THIS TIME, SINCE I GOT MICHAEL.

TOO BAD, CARD GAMES ARE ONE OF MY FORTES.

SUZUKI AGAIN?!

WHAT ABOUT FIVE OF SUZUKI?!

Five of a Kind
Five of a kind plus a joker

Royal Flush

A straight in the same suit with the jack, queen, king and ace

I DON'T SEE HOW THOSE CARDS ARE GOING TO BE ANY USE AT ALL!
AND THERE'S SUZUKI AGAIN!

A ROYAL FLUSH OF ACE, NAGA, PRIMA, KANAMOTO, NINOMIYA, AND SUZUKI!

POKER...

THINK OF IT AS KIND OF LIKE POKER.

BLUH?!

WHAT'S GOING ON?

DO YOU WANT TO PLAY TOO? SURNAME CARDS.

...NAGA-SHIMAS?!

FOUR...

...FOUR...

...NAGA-SHIMAS!!



THANK YOU.

AND WHAT DO YOU WANT?

WANT IT.

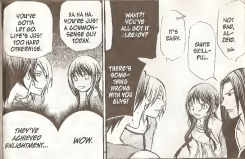
I SAVED YOU A SANDWICH. DO YOU WANT IT?

YOU FELL ASLEEP RIGHT AFTER THE GAME.

SINCE YOU WOULDN'T WAKE UP, WE ARE DINNER WITHOUT YOU.



WHERE ARE THE OTHER TWO?



YOU'VE GOTTA LET GO. LIFE'S JUST TOO HARD OTHERWISE.

HA HA HA. YOU'RE JUST A COMMON-SENSE GUY TODAY.

WHY? YOU'VE ALL GOT IT /LESS/?

IT'S BASIC.

SHITE BELL-FULL.

NOT BAD, ALZHO.

THERE'S SOME-THING WRONG WITH YOU GUYS!

THEY'VE ACHIEVED ENLIGHTENMENT...

WOW.



HHMM...

FATHER WENT TO THE BATHROOM. SUBOSENHIT LEFT TO SMOKE A CIGARETTE.

THEY HAVEN'T SEEN EACH OTHER IN A WHILE, SO THEY MUST HAVE A LOT TO TALK ABOUT.

THEY MUST BE HAVING A BROTHERLY CONVERSATION SOMEWHERE.



GOOD MORNING, ALZHO.

YOU'RE FINALLY AWAKE.

UH...

I LOVE
TEARS AND
ROSES.

LET
GENTLE
BUTTER-
FLIES AND
JASMINE
ARE IN
SEASON.

I LOVE
ALL
FLOW-
ERS.

...AND HOW AM
I SUPPOSED TO CHOOSE
THE RIGHT
FLOWERS?
ALL I KNOW
ARE ROSES
AND TULIPS.

WHAT?
FLOWERS
ARE NICE
ANYTIME!

I TRIED TO
GET YOU
SOMETHING...

...BUT IT
LOOKED
LIKE YOU
DID ENOUGH
CLOTHES
AND JEWELRY
FROM YOUR
FATHER...

...AND
BAROQUEMENT
SAID THAT
FLOWERS
WOULD JUST
GET IN THE WAY
ON THE ROAD...

I HAVEN'T
STOPPED
LOOKING.

BUT I DIDN'T
FIND ANYTHING
AT YELMENE,
WHERE I'D
HOPED TO GET
SOME INFOR-
MATION.

SO FOR THE
MOMENT,
I'M AT A
DEAD END.

ARE YOU
REALLY
OKAY WITH
THIS?

I
MEAN,
YOU WERE
LOOKING
FOR YOUR
FATHER'S
KILLER...

...BUT NOW
YOU'RE
COMING
WITH ME.

YOU CLAIM
TO KNOW SOME-
THING ABOUT
FLOWERS, BUT
YOU'RE SO
KNOWLEDGE-
ABLE ABOUT
GARDENING PLANTS.

AND PRINCESS
MACROGEMA
AND PRINCESS
PLUMED-
PETALS?

AND PRINCESS
MACROGEMA
AND PRINCESS
PLUMED-
PETALS,
TOO.

AND
NESTING,
TOO!

SO DO
YOU LIKE
EXPLODES?

YES,
NEST-
ING,
TOO.

SURELY?
I DON'T
BOY-LIKE
THAT.

I DIDN'T
DECIDE TO
COME JUST
BECAUSE
OF YOU.

THAT'S
RIGHT.

SO,
YOU'RE
TAKING
A LITTLE
BREAK?

DO YOU
WANT TO
PLAY A
GAME?

HEY,
ALZED...

IS THAT
SO?

EVEN
THOUGH
YOU SAID
IT WAS MY
BIRTHDAY
PRESENT?

WWS~

SORRY,
WE'RE NOT
PLANNING TO
DO IT.

YOU SURELY
DON'T
NOISE,
SINCE YOU
SLEEP IN
LOUNGE
THAN I DO.

WHOEVER
SUPPORTED TO
BE SOMEONE
WITH LOTS OF
MONEY EARLY IN
THE MORNING!

K-YES
MR!

BESIDES
MUSCLES.

LET'S
GAY
YES.

CAN I
POSE A
QUESTION?

I SEE.

WHAT
DO YOU
WANT
NOW?



WHOEVER
TELLS
THE MOST
WWS.

THE ELLES
ARE SIMPLE.
WE JUST
TELL EACH
OTHER ABOUT
OURSELVES.

NO,
NOT
THAT.

ALSO
THINK
OF THE
ASIAN?

LIKE
HOBBIES,
PASTIMES,
MEMORIES...

BESIDES,
THIS IS LIKE
SLEEPING
DOWN, SO
WHOEVER
DRESS MORE
CLOTHES
OFF WWS.

SO,
WHOEVER
HAD THE
OTHER ONE
POOLED
BETTER
IS THE
WINNER?

NO, THAT'S NOT
IT. WHOEVER
UNDERSTOOD
THE OTHER
ONE BETTER.

I WANT
FLOWERS.

I TOLD YOU
I DON'T
KNOW
ANYTHING
ABOUT
FLOWERS.

I CAN
NEVER HAVE
TOO MANY
CLOTHES
AND
JEWELRY.

BUT FROM
YOU, ALZED,
I WOULD
LIKE SOME
FLOWERS.

YOU DON'T
HAVE TO
TELL ME
THAT. I CAN
ALREADY
SEE IT.

SHOULD
YOU HAVE
TO BE SO
OVERTHUS?

I'M
ACTUALLY
TWOLED AT
GETTING UP
EARLY IN THE
MORNING.

OW THEN
HOW ABOUT
THIS?

ALL
RIGHT.
I'LL
STAY.

UNLIKE
ALZED,
THERE'S
ALMOST NO
POSSIB THAT I
DON'T LIKE.

HAIN'T THAT
WHAT WE
WERE
TALKING
ABOUT?

YOU'RE BEING
FOOLISH-FOOLISH-
FOOLISH. THE
ONE WHO
HATES THE
OTHER ONE
WILL HAVE
CLOTHES OFF
IN THE MORNING.
EUREKA!

ARE
YOU
GOING TO
TAKE
MY
CLOTHES
OFF?

QUITE
RIGHT,
LIKE I
THOUGHT.

NOW THAT
YOU KNOW,
WHY DON'T
YOU REVEAL
SOMETHING?

I
UNDERSTAND
SO MUCH
BETTER
NOW.

I HAVE
COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT
TASTES THAN
YOU DO!

You didn't

ALZEO IS
NOT MY
NAME.

FOR YOUR
INFORMATION,
THE STUFF
I KNOW
ALREADY
DOESN'T
COUNT!

I KNOW.
JUST
FINISH
EATING!

*Really
like it
because I
do.*

*It has
been
and
breakfast
on it.*

*Like this
condemned.*

much
much
much

THERE'S
JUST ONE
THING I'M
GEEZ YOU
WOULDN'T
KNOW.

For you

ACCORDING TO
TRADITION, THE
HAPPY GIFTS
ARE FLOWERS,
CHOCOLATES,
AND GARDEN-
TAGS.

THOUGH,
SINCE I'M
UNDERAGE AND
CAN'T DRINK,
WINE TEA
WOULD DO.

BY THE WAY,
IF YOU'RE
SERIOUS
WINE AND
TEA, NO
SUGAR
PLEASE.

BUT GIFTS
ARE ALWAYS
WELCOME,
EVEN WHEN
THERE'S NO
OCCASION.

I'LL
THINK
ABOUT IT.

COFFEE
NEEDS
SUGAR.

BUT WHEN
I SEE YOU
THROW IN 10
OR 20 SUGAR
CUBES, IT
MAKES ME NOT
WANT ANY.

POPS
ALL THAT
SHOULD
HAVE
EVEN
BEEN
ROUND!

THE GRAINY
BOTTOM IS
THE BEST
PART!

*It doesn't
mix with
tea, I mean
that's it.*

AND IT'S
EVEN MORE
IMPORTANT
WHEN YOU'RE
NOT EATING
SUGAR.

DON'T NEED IT.
YOU DON'T WANT
SO DON'T PUT THE
TWO TOGETHER WITH
A SWEET DRINK
AND A SWEET
DRINK.

DON'T BE
STUPID. YOU
HAVE TO HAVE
SUGAR.

THEN
DO YOU
DRINK YOUR
COFFEE
BLACK,
TOO?

*You need
Chachina
with green
tea!*

*Chachina = rice with green tea seasoning



DID BAROQUE-
HEAT TELL
YOU?



SPEAK-
ING OF
NAMES...

YOU ALREADY
KNOW WHAT
HAPPENED
WHEN I WAS
RAZENSHUA
AND NOT
RAZIEL,
DON'T YOU?

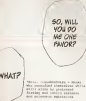


WELL,
I WAS
GOING TO
TELL YOU
ANYWAY,
SO IT'S
OKAY.

WELL,
UHM...

.....
I'M
SORRY.

...I
MEAN...



SO, WILL
YOU DO
ME ONE
FAVOR?

WHAT?



YES, A
SOPHIS-
RUSU.

BUT THE
BLAZER-
WORTH HEAT
MIGHT HAVE
TO BECOME
A SOPHIS-
RUSU.

A
SOPHIS-
RUSU?



THE
WOMAN
WHO
CALLED MY
FATHER.



IT SEEMS
TO BE A
NICKNAME THAT
SOMEONE
ONCE GAVE
MY FATHER.

FOR SOME
REASON, A
WOMAN I'D
NEVER SEEN
BEFORE
CALLED ME BY
THAT NAME.



AND WHY
DID YOU
DECIDE TO
USE
THAT NAME?



I DON'T
KNOW.
MAYBE
I LOOK
EXACTLY
LIKE HIM.

DO YOU
LOOK
THAT MUCH
LIKE YOUR
FATHER?



WHAT'S
YOUR REAL
NAME?

...KEEP
CALLING
YOU
ALZEB?

CAN I...

*Note: "Sophsin-Rusu" is a name
the character Alzéb used while
she was still an undercover
agent and before she
became a member of the
organization.



MAYBE SECOND HIMSELF TOLD HIM TO.

OH, I HATE HIM ALL RIGHT.

IT'S BAD ENOUGH THAT HE'S STUCK TO MY SWEET BAKES!

BUT ON TOP OF IT, HE'S USING THE NAME ALZED.

NO WAY. NOT A CHANCE.

THERE'S NO WAY IN HELL HE WOULD GIVE AWAY THE NAME MATSUNE GAVE HIM.

NEAR, I KNOW HOW AFRAID HE WAS TO MATSUNE.



...THAT FATHER OF MINE IN THE VILLAGE OF VELLNEN...

I SAID I COULD NEVER GET OVER IT...

BUT MAYBE ...

...THERE MIGHT COME A TIME WHEN I COULD FORGIVE EVERYTHING.



NO, I KNOW I'M RIGHT.

OH, COME ON. IT'S ALL IN YOUR MIND.

BESIDES, YOU CALL HIM ALL-BODY BECAUSE YOU DON'T WANT TO CALL HIM THAT BUTTER, DON'T YOU?

THOUGH YOU PUT ON A FURIOUS FRONT...

COME TO THINK OF IT, PRINCE NEVER CALLS ALL-BODY IN HIS NAME EITHER.



BECAUSE THAT DAY NEEDS TO COME...

I KNOW IT WOULD BE BECAUSE OF YOU GUYS.

IF THAT HAPPENS, WILL YOU GO TO THE VILLAGE WITH ME AGAIN...



OF COURSE SHE LIKED HIM.

BRUNOVEN LIKED SECOND VERY MUCH.

THOUGH I THINK SHE TRIED TO HIDE IT.

PERSONAL FEELINGS ASIDE, WE ALL INCLUDING ME--WANTED MATSUNE AND SECOND TO BE HAPPY.



THE FACT I HAVE TO BRING HIM HOME TO OUR LOVE NEXT!

YOU REALLY DON'T LIKE ALL-BODY, DO YOU?

WELL, THOUGH IT'S TRUE, I DON'T WANT TO.

I JUST HATE IT!

OOO...



IT'S YOUR PUNISHMENT, HEAT.

WHAT THE--?

OH, BY THE WAY, IN ORDER TO BECOME A SOKUSHINRITSU, YOU MUST UNDERGO A STRICT REGIMEN THAT CALLS FOR FASTING IN A SILENT ROOM AND CHANTING MANTRAS UNTIL YOU DIE.

I'M ROOTING FOR YOU!!

OH? SO WEIRD.

WELL, YEAH, KINDA LIKE THAT.

IF YOU DON'T KNOW, THAT'S FINE.

THANKS.

I'M GOING TO TAKE YOUR SILENCE AS A YES.

...IF SHE'S SEREN CURA.

OH WELL, I'LL ASK RANZEL NON-CHALANTLY...

WELL, YOU SHOULD GO TO BED TOO, RANZEL.

I SEE.

HE WAS UP ALL NIGHT, SO NOW HE'S SLEEPY.

HE WENT TO THE SLEEPING CAR TO GET SOME REAL REST.

AND WHERE'S AL-BON?

RANZEL, DO YOU KNOW KIRAR?

IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S SAFE FOR NOW.

SHOOT. GOOD NIGHT.

HMP? IT'S STILL EARLY.

I WONDER...

NIGHTY-NIGHT.

I WANT YOU TO STAY YOUNG AND BEAUTIFUL FOR A LONG, LONG TIME.

YOU NEED YOUR BEAUTY SLEEP.

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING WHAT INSULT YOU'LL USE NEXT!

WOA, HED, YOU'VE GOT SOME SER VOCABULARY ☆

WHAT'S NON-CHALANT ABOUT THAT?

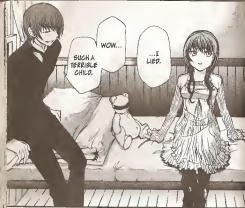
SHUT UP, YOU PESS OF DEATH!

FLATLY OFFENS, I'D SAY!

RESOLUTE AND DIGNIFIED!

UHM... SORRY, I DON'T KNOW ANYONE BY THAT NAME.

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SUCH A
TERRIBLE
CHILD.

WOW....

...I
LIED.



SO, WHAT
ARE YOU SO
MY FATHER,
KIRAP?

NOT AS A GOOD
DADDY-
TEE.

I CAN'T
LET FATHER
KNOW THAT
I'VE GOT
A STALKER
HANDING
AROUND.

THEY
ASKED ME
IF I KNEW
YOU, AND I
SAID NO.



I DID.

YOU
TRIED TO
CON ME.

WELL, IT WAS
ACTUALLY
BAROQUEHEAT
WHO ASKED ME.
FATHER HASN'T
MENTIONED
YOU AT ALL...

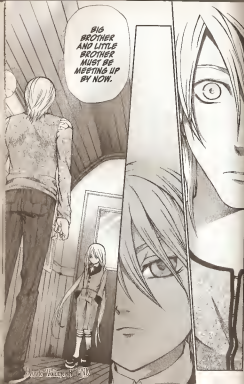
YOU
THINK I'M
SUPPLY GOING
TO TELL YOU
HOW STUPID.



OH
DEAR...

THE
UNFORTU-
NATELY, I
TAUGHT HER
HOW TO
LIE, TOO.





BIG
BROTHER
AND LITTLE
BROTHER
MUST BE
MEETING UP
BY NOW.

RIGHT?

HOPE.

WOULDN'T THE
SECOND-
OLDEST
SON IN
BATO'S FAMILY

SO, TELL
ME WHAT
YOU'VE
GUESSED.

SO, HAVE
YOU FINALLY
COME TO
MEET MISS
RAHDEL?

SO
ANSWER.

RUH? I
THOUGHT
I WAS
GARNED
CLOSE...

AH HA
HA. TOO
BAD...I'LL
SAVE IT
FOR NEXT
TIME.

I'LL
TAKE
YOU ON.

WELL, HOW
SHOULD
I PUT IT?
MAYBE TO
KEEP A LID
ON THINGS?

I DON'T
WANT A
DISTURBANCE.

THEN
WHY
ARE YOU
HERE?

Chapter 58: March 2nd

The reason that there are no birthdays listed in the bio in volumes one to three is simply because I forgot.

Baroque's birthday is August 6, and Alcidio is November...when was it? I can't find my notes, so I can't remember. The other day Bobber-man, one of my assistants, was looking for a pair of scissors, but instead of asking me where they were, even though we were in my room, she asked someone else. She said it was because she couldn't count on me finding anything in my room. Well, because my workroom is chaos.

Chapter 59: Reunion and a Premonition of Parting

He finally showed his face, but a friend was disappointed that he wasn't "so beautiful" as I thought. I was genuinely saddened. Ha! A beauty?! I just can't draw them. Not me! Like Alcidio I've never thought he was good-looking. He's just a yearning and case of a lad.

I thought Pee was the only good-looking guy when I was drawing him. Too bad he won't be making any more appearances.

Chapter 60: I Spoke to the King of a Lifetime

I don't like the phrase "once in a lifetime." It just seems cheap and makes me sad.

I didn't use any particular perfume on a model for the one that Mast gave as a gift, but there really is one that does make me the top note. If you're interested, look into it.

Chapter 61: At the End of a Trip

I wanted to add Baroque Cards as a prize this time, but I gave up because I thought no one would really want them after all. I'd recommend playing the memory game where you match two cards. The possibility of getting a match is quite high, especially Suzuki. On the other hand, I'd stay away from Old Maid. You'll match so many cards that your hand will probably be gone before you even start the game.

Thanks for writing. That's volume eight. Thanks for buying the book once again. I hope to have volume nine out before the year is over.

Mitsuru Endoh
Illustrator

Chapter 55: My Name, My Family

In Puzzle, a series full of characters who are as spunky as the common, Savat-kun is the one who is refreshingly inquisitive and full of comebacks. I'm flattered with the desire to have him show up whenever possible, so he can more easily get involved with other characters.

However, I chose him for this episode's color front page, not out of personal preference, but because Pomon, one of my assistants, "wanted to see Savat in an apron in color." A manga artist who even picks up to the assistants. That's Mitsuru Endoh.

Chapter 56:

People We Meet is a Mysterious Town

I really love Miss Kizelorn, so I want to draw her even more. Her curls are a hassle to draw though, so maybe not. I love Shogetsu, but he's also hard to draw. When these characters appear, on one hand it's heaven, but on the other it's hell.

Chapter 57:

Kid Jo a Girl Meets Her Fate

The relationship between Kiara and Rakzel is so criminal that it's kinda nice. I've reformed my taste in characters.

I think Kiara was Rakzel's first love, but maybe it's better that her memory is buried.



Branwen

In the next Dazzle!

As Aizel battles for his life against his "little brother," he starts to realize that he may be severely outmatched. Meanwhile, Seated begins to wonder if Aizel might not actually be a clone—and has severe doubts that Second could possibly be dead. Kiera's rather plan to alter Rahn's body with the mysterious Rood. Text-dog also shows its continuing effects... What can Kiera be planning?



(height) 140
(weight) 32
(eye color) blue
(hair color) honey
(birthday) may 21

(likes)
machine
c-shaver
screw
soldering iron

(dislikes)
nail
hammer